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# NAZIS LOSE MANY PLANES IN AIR DUELS ON WEST FRONT

## Canadian Elections

### Govt. Sweeps The Board

Liberals Secure A Record Majority

OTTAWA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The latest state of the parties in the Canadian elections is:  
Liberals, 174.  
Nation Government, 38.  
Doubtful, 8.  
There is no change in the other parties.

Reinforced by a record majority, representing 53 per cent. of the national vote, Mr. Mackenzie King will probably summon Parliament for either May 2 or May 9.

**Smashing Victory**  
OTTAWA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Liberal Government of Canada has obtained a smashing victory at the polls, a victory even greater than its most ardent supporters had hoped for.

The latest figures are:  
Liberals 174 seats (out of a total of 245).

Conservative (or National Government) as the party has been calling itself 38.

The Co-operative Commonwealth Federation 8.

New democracy social credit 7

Others 9

All Communists

One result has been deferred and eight others are still doubtful.

The results do not include the votes of the Canadian troops which will be available next week.

The votes may alter some of the results but will not be enough to affect the main issue.

Every communist candidate was defeated.

The Social Credit Party only polled one out of the original 15 seats.

All the leading lights of the Conservative Party were defeated and so were all the women candidates.

## Seeking New Agreement

### Franco-Japanese Talks To Be Started

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Mar. 27 (UP).—It is reliably reported that the Franco-Japanese negotiations for the renewal of the modus vivendi, commercial treaty, expiring on April 15, will begin next Wednesday between the Secretary of the Japanese Embassy, Mr. Saida and the Commerce Chief of the Foreign Office, M. Delenda.

It is said unofficially that a Japanese observer, Mr. Kawai is expected to arrive from Rome next Friday morning and will continue a tour of the major European countries.

## Another Russian Vessel Detained

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

An urgent "United Press" message from London this morning, stating that the Soviet Ambassador has protested against the detention of Russian vessels in Pacific waters, brings to light the fact that a British warship of the China Squadron has intercepted another vessel for the purposes of Contraband Control. This is the steamer Mayakovsky.

The naval authorities in Hongkong confirm that this vessel was detained by a unit of the British Navy, but no additional official details are forthcoming.

The "Telegraph" understands, however, that the ship in question was en route to Vladivostok from the United States with a cargo of copper. It is not known whether she will be brought into Hongkong for examination or be taken to Hanoi or Singapore.

### Near Japan

The detention is believed to have occurred some ten days ago.

According to a London message the ship was intercepted about 100 miles from the Zangars Straits, between the islands of Honshu and Hokkaido.

### Selenga Detention

No information is available from Lloyd's regarding the Mayakovsky.

"United Press" reports from London that the Soviet Ambassador, M. Maisky, in addition to protesting against the detention of the Mayakovsky, renewed his protest at the continued detention in Hongkong harbour of the Soviet steamer Selenga.

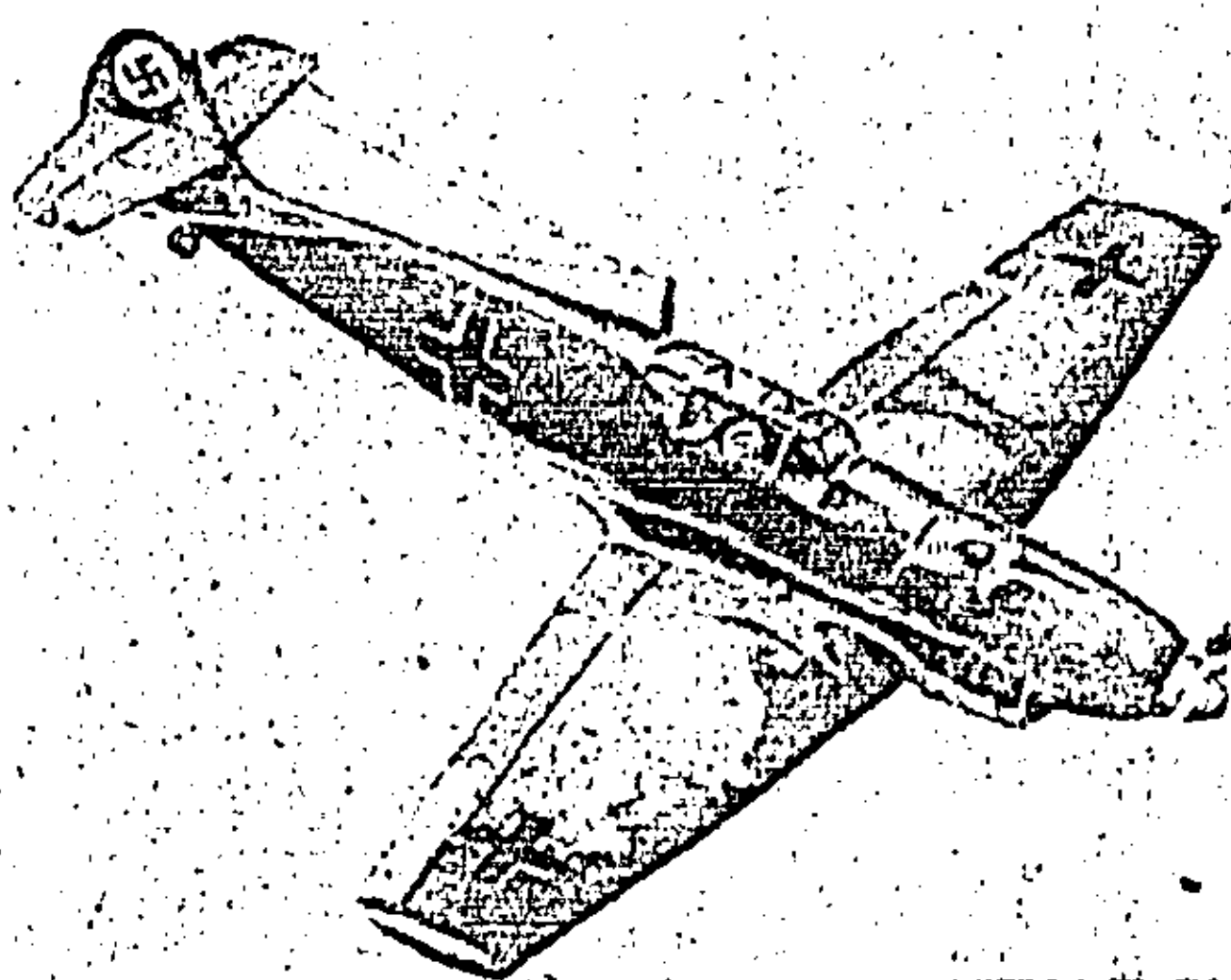
The Soviet Ambassador is reported to have demanded the immediate release of both ships and has reserved the right to demand compensation.

He is reported to have given Lord Halifax an official assurance that the cargoes in both ships are for consumption in Soviet Russia only.

"United Press" reports that the British reply merely states that the authorities are still investigating the matter.

## \$12,000 GIFT TO WAR FUND

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—To commemorate his recent coronation, the Sultan of Brunei has given \$12,000 towards the prosecution of the war.



"COPPER" WAS THEIR MASTER.—Pictured above is the Messerschmitt 109, Germany's most famous fighter. Its 20-mm. gun fires shells through the propeller hub.

## NAZI "HELL-SHIP" REACHES KIEL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 27 (UP).—The Nazi hell-ship Aitmark, from which 400 tortured British seamen were rescued on February 17 by H.M.S. Cossack, made a very subdued entrance into Kiel harbour to-day.

Admiral Raeder originally planned an uproarious welcome for the Nazi prison ship, whose British prisoners were to have marched through the streets in a triumphal procession.

The Aitmark went aground in Norwegian waters after attempting to ram H.M.S. Cossack. She was refloated with the aid of other Nazi vessels, the British Navy making no attempt to interfere with the vessel once the Britons were removed.

Of the 400 Britons rescued from the Aitmark, over fifty had to be taken to hospital, some with ulcerated stomachs. One stretcher case had leprosy. Conditions aboard the hell-ship were described as being absolutely filthy.

## R.A.F. SINK NAZI SHIP

### Patrol Vessel Is Caught Napping

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that during reconnaissance of the North Sea to-day, aircraft of the R.A.F. Coastal Command attacked and sank an enemy patrol vessel.

The patrol vessel was sunk in the eastern part of the North Sea. The attack was carried out in the face of intense A.A. fire.

Four ships were seen close together, and the pilots selected one as their target. They dived and released their bombs.

### Direct Hit On Deck

The rear gunner of one of the aircraft saw a salvo of bombs burst directly on deck. There was a big explosion before the flame and smoke died down.

The British flew into a cloud to escape the storm of retaliatory fire, and when they emerged the crews saw only three ships.

One pilot said: "Where the ship had been, there was only a mass of frothy water."

## ALLIES IN NEAR EAST

### N.Y. Paper Analyses Advantages Gained

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—A "Washington Post" analysis prepared for the Foreign Policy Association says: "The British and French won the first round for control of the Near East without serious opposition by the totalitarian Powers. The Allies now hold strategic points, the principal lines of communication and the economic resources in the Near East to the disadvantage of Germany."

The paper also refers to the steadily increasing Allied military forces in the Near East, and discussing Rumania, it says: "Britain has left no doubt of her intentions to take drastic measures if oil continues to be supplied to Germany."

### Nazi Problem

The Cleveland "Plain Dealer" says: "The Soviet Union cannot supply Germany with sufficient quantities of the three most vital materials—petroleum, vegetable oil and manganese—to conduct war. The chief drawback is transportation. Stalin would not hesitate to deprive his own people if he believed that by underwriting the Third Reich he was at the same time advancing the political interests of his regime. But even were he so inclined, he would be handicapped by the inability to transport the goods."

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## N. Z. PILOT BRINGS DOWN TWO RAIDERS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, MAR. 27 (UP).—SOLDIERS IN THE TRENCHES AND FORTIFICATIONS ON BOTH SIDES OF NO MAN'S LAND ON THE WESTERN FRONT WITNESSED A THRILLING AIR DUEL BETWEEN BRITISH AND GERMAN MACHINES ON MONDAY.

News of the air battle has just been released by the censors.

A squadron of R.A.F. pursuit machines intercepted seven Nazi bombers, escorted by an equal number of pursuit planes, which were attempting to reconnoitre the Allied positions.

While the German pursuit planes gave battle, the bombers attempted to continue their reconnaissance operations.

### DEADLY FIRE FROM SPITFIRES

But two Nazi planes were quickly shot down in flames by the deadly and accurate fire of the Spitfires and the Germans thereupon abandoned attempts to fly further into French territory.

One British machine was shot down by the Messerschmitts protecting the Nazi bombers.

The pilot of the Spitfire took to his parachute as soon as his machine started to go into a tail spin, and landed safely behind the Allied lines.

THE RETURN OF GOOD WEATHER ON THE WESTERN FRONT SAW INCREASED AERIAL ACTIVITY ON ALL SECTORS.

In addition to shooting down a British machine in the aerial encounter mentioned above, the German High Command claims that a French machine was shot down elsewhere along the front.

### FIGHT OVER METZ

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).

A War Ministry bulletin from the Headquarters of the British Air Force somewhere in France

announces that there was a marked increase in aerial activity yesterday in the neighbourhood of the Metz.

A formation of seven enemy reconnaissance craft, escorted by fighters, was intercepted and engaged by British fighters.

Aerial encounters occurred and our fighters, having broken up the enemy formation, forced the enemy to abandon its reconnaissance.

One British patrol encountered a formation of nine enemy fighters.

In the ensuing fight two enemy aircraft were seen descending in flames.

One of our fighters was shot down but the pilot escaped by parachute.

## Planes For Foreign Powers U.S. Experts Solve Problem

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (UP).—Mr. Harry Woodring, Secretary of War, Mr. Louis Johnson, Assistant Secretary of War, General George Marshall, Chief of Staff and Major General H. Arnold, Chief of the Air Corps, testified before the House Military Affairs Committee to-day, and said they had agreed to a new policy for selling the latest model war planes to foreign Powers which will give the United States unequalled production capacity to meet her own needs in any emergency.

They said the United States will be able to produce 14,000 planes annually beginning this year.

The Chairman of the Committee, Rep. Andrew May, said: "This is a complete answer to the critics of such sales." He added that the testimony has closed the inquiry without objection.

Mr. Woodring assured the Committee that no military secrets would be divulged. "The United States now has possibly a half dozen planes superior to any in the world," he declared.

### No Secrets Disclosed

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).

The Secretary for War, Mr. Harry H. Woodring, testified before the

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## N. Zealand Ace Masters Nazi Messerschmitts

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter's Correspondent Somewhere in France).—The R.A.F. brought down at least five enemy planes in France yesterday.

Two others are believed to have been accounted for. One British fighter was shot down.

Three separate battles occurred in the morning, afternoon and early evening when patrolling Hurricanes met German planes of four different types.

The planes shot down for certain were all of the Messerschmitt and Dornier types.

N. Zealander's Exploits

"Copper", a 21-year-old New Zealander already famous for his exploits, brought his total "bag" up to five by accounting for two Messerschmitts. This time he narrowly escaped with his life and as he limped about his mess to-day with one leg prepared by shrapnel from cannon shells, he told an amazingly graphic story.

He told how he and two other Hurricanes pilots ran into a flight of nine Messerschmitts in the early afternoon. "We took one apiece and just went in. I hit one and he spun down in smoke and flames. Then for a time there was a free-for-all until I got another Messerschmitt and sent him down."

"I looked round and the sky seemed clear. But one of the Messerschmitts was hovering high above, waiting to see how the battle was going to turn out. He swooped on me and the next thing I knew was a terrific bang in front of my eyes. The top of my hood flew away. A great jagged hole appeared in my engine and flames and oil poured into the cockpit."

"I was almost knocked unconscious by the shock, but came to and managed to bail out."

"For a long time I never thought about pulling the altimeter of my parachute. Then I did so and floated down in a kind of a daze, enjoying the cool air on my face."

"This Is Heaven"

"When I had passed through a thick layer of white clouds, I thought to myself quite seriously. 'This is heaven.'"

"I landed in a field in No Man's Land, stumbled towards a wood where I covered up my parachute with earth and wire."

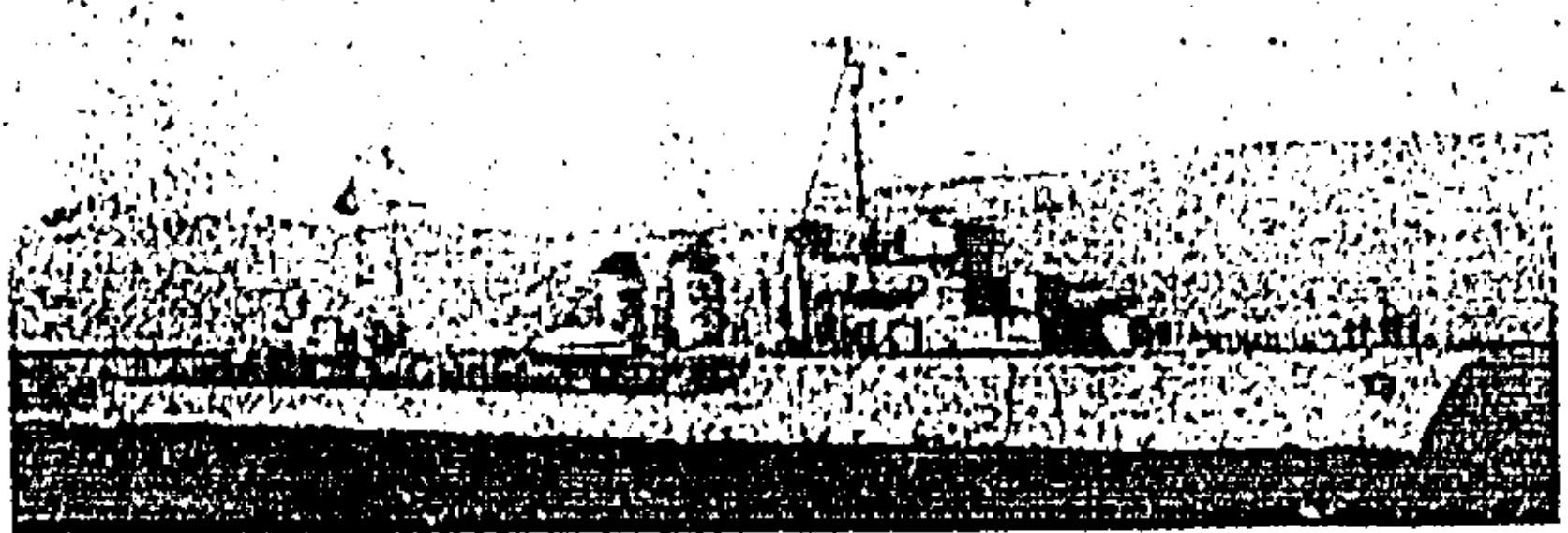
"A French Captain came running towards me with revolver poised. When he found who I was, he helped me back into the French lines."

Alf Chief's Tribute

"Copper's" two companions each chased a Messerschmitt. One flying

LATEST

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LA RAILLEUSE

## French Destroyer Lost In Terrific Explosion

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Mar. 27 (UP).—The 1,378-ton French destroyer La Railleuse was completely destroyed by a mysterious explosion on Saturday, according to the Tangiers Correspondent of the "Giornale d'Italia."

The correspondent states that the blast split the destroyer in two and she sank within a few minutes.

Of the destroyer's complement of 142 men, over 100 are reported to be missing. Several injured men have been rescued.

The La Railleuse was just leaving Casablanca when the explosion occurred.

The destroyer was commissioned in September, 1926. She was armed with four 5.16-in. guns, two anti-aircraft guns and six 21-in. torpedo tubes.



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**INWARD MAILS**  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date, 20th March ..... Mar. 28.  
Canton ..... Mar. 28.  
Manila ..... Mar. 28.  
Calcutta and Straits ..... Mar. 28.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Mar. 28.  
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow ..... Mar. 28.

U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 5th March) ..... Mar. 28.  
Amoy ..... Mar. 28.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Mar. 28.  
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa ..... Mar. 29.  
Shanghai ..... Mar. 29.  
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 20th February) ..... Mar. 29.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Mar. 29.  
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon ..... Mar. 30.  
Japan ..... Mar. 30.  
Manila ..... Mar. 30.  
Sandakan ..... Mar. 30.

**OUTWARD MAILS**  
Thursday, Mar. 28  
Sandakan ..... 12.30 p.m.  
Fort Bayard and Haiphong ..... 1.00 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Amoy ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Manila ..... 7.00 p.m.  
Friday, Mar. 29  
Fort Bayard and Haiphong ..... 1.30 p.m.  
Bangkok ..... 1.30 p.m.  
Amoy ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Shanghai and parcels only for Tientsin ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Shanghai, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America (No parcels for Canada only) via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 10th April.  
G. P. O. and R. P. O.  
Par. .... Mar. 29, 5.00 p.m.  
Reg. .... Mar. 30, 9.45 a.m.  
Ord. .... Mar. 30, 10.30 a.m.  
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 20th April

**K.F.O.**  
Reg. .... 5.30 p.m.  
Ord. .... 5.30 p.m.  
**G.P.O.**  
Reg. .... 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... 5 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... 7.00 p.m.  
Saturday, Mar. 30  
Touane, Saigon and Bangkok ..... 8.30 a.m.  
Halphong ..... 2 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Parcels only for Tientsin ..... 2.30 p.m.

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### HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB

Notice

The Annual Dinner and Dance will be held in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel on Saturday, 30th MARCH, 1940, at 7.30 p.m.

E. L. STRANGE,  
Hon. Secretary.

### GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-first Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 3rd day of April, 1940, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21st MARCH, 1940, to WEDNESDAY, the 3rd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors.

R. TAYLOR,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1940.

### THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.  
General Managers,  
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

### A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the 29TH MARCH, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1939.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21ST MARCH, 1940, to FRIDAY, the 29TH MARCH, 1940, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

## HEALTH BULLETIN

### 83 Deaths Last Week From T.B.

One case of Small-pox, two of Diphtheria, five of Typhoid, four of Meningitis, 12 of Dysentery and 53 of Tuberculosis were reported on Tuesday.

During the week ended on Saturday, eight cases of Small-pox with eight deaths, 12 of Diphtheria with three deaths (one imported), two of Scarlet Fever, 11 of Typhoid with three deaths, eight of Measles, nine of Chicken-pox, 11 of Meningitis with four deaths, 10 of Dysentery with 10 deaths and 134 of Tuberculosis with 83 deaths were also reported.

#### Foreign Report

The Health bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ended March 19 shows the following cases of infectious diseases:

Plague.—Basseln one death, Rangoon one case, Cholera.—Allahabad and Rangoon one case each, Akayab two cases, Calcutta 59 cases. Small-pox.—Allahabad, Karachi, Madras and Shanghai one case each, Delhi and Sabang four cases each, Cawnpore 23 cases, Jodhpur nine deaths, Porbandar 24 cases, Bombay 47 cases, Calcutta 71 cases, Cochin seven cases, Rangoon 39 cases, Macao 17 cases, Hongkong 12 cases.

## It's a Grand Life, say 20's in France

### C.O. Says "They're Fine"

By PAUL BEWSHER

Daily Mail Special Correspondent with the B.E.F.  
TO-DAY, quite by chance, I ran into a group of the "20's" who were among the first batch enrolled when the militia scheme was set in motion last July. They were not here in any special class, but formed a company of an infantry battalion, comprising a part of the British Expeditionary Force—and ready to go into action if need be.

Smart and alert, nothing distinguished these lads in battle dress from the other soldiers, save perhaps their extreme youth. Officers and N.C.O.s alike spoke highly of their discipline and good spirits.

"They are first-class, and have settled down very well," their commanding officer told me. These young men, vanguard of a vast citizen army which may one day be larger than the Regular and Territorial Armies combined, were being very well looked after by officers who were evidently anxious for their welfare. This was definitely a happy battalion.

"The Food's Good"

I found them in a small village of snow-covered brick houses, inconspicuous amid the glittering white fields near one section of the British front.

The discovery came as a surprise to me. I had called at the headquarters of a Territorial battalion of the Gloucester Regiment, and the colonel said: "Like to see some of our militia?"

"Well, you'll soon see one," he went on, chuckling. "Sergeant, call the butcher over here."

A private, busy in an outhouse kitchen, stepped up and saluted smartly. "Yes, sir, I'm a Militiaman—or I was. We're all the same now," he said.

"Reginald Berry's my name. My home is at King's Stanley near Stroud, in Gloucestershire. I'm a butcher in a civilian life, too. I was called up in July with the first lot, and will be 22 next July. I love the life, and the food's good."

Pte. Berry was the first Militiaman I had met in France. But there were plenty more. We walked through the snow to a large barn filled with men eating their midday meal of stew. There was a whole company of men almost entirely Militiamen.

A throng of young men in battle-dress, mostly with the ruddy cheeks of the West-countryman, gathered round.

Donald Hawkins, a 21-years-old "bus conductor," of Bristol, was the first I spoke to. With him was Jack Baldwin, a 21-years-old worker in the Cannock Collieries in the Forest of Dean.

"We call it the Forest of Dean Company," Captain N. E. Hind, of Huntley, near Ross-on-Wye, told me. "There are quite a number of men from the Forest. They are first class."

This was a high tribute, for Captain Hind served in the last war in the Irish Rifles, and was badly wounded.

"Don't forget London," one man called out. He proved to be Lance-Corporal Percy Sennet, of Kenton, near Harrow, who was a charge hand in a dairy when the Militia turned him into a soldier.

These young men had left all kinds of work to become part of the citizen army. One of the youngest was Cecil Hodges, a paper-mill worker from Taunton.

**A Remarkable Man**

Although they were sleeping on the earth floor of a barn with the temperature far below freezing point outside, they seemed extraordinarily cheerful.

"There's a lot of us, and it helps to keep us warm," one of them said. Many of them praised the food, which they said was better and more ample than they had in England.

This battalion must be one of the most extraordinary in the whole B.E.F., for serving with the Militiamen are several men who have belonged to the Territorials for over 20 years.

Company Quartermaster-Sergeant George Wiltshire, of Chequer-road, Gloucester, an engineer at a public institution in private life, joined the battalion in 1916, and fought in the battle of the Somme.

Sergeant-Major S. J. Wilcox joined in 1913, and has been with the battalion ever since, doing training every year since the last war, in which he was wounded twice.

But the most remarkable man there was Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant V. G. Smith. He joined the battalion in 1909, when he was working as a clerk in the goods office at Gloucester Station. He served through the last war, was badly wounded at Passchendaele, and was awarded the D.C.M. for leading an attack.

**Nazis Seek Food Pill**  
GOERING, Germany's economic dictator, is seeking to beat the British blockade by pills—food pills.

A Danish chemist recently back from I. G. Farben, Germany's biggest chemical works, said that research chemists have been ordered to produce the H. G. Wells pill which is to take the place of meat, butter, eggs and vegetables in the Nazi diet.

## STANDARD SUITS

### NO, BUT—

### MEN WILL HAVE FEWER CLOTHES

AFTER all, it seems that men's suits are not to be standardised.

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, said that standardisation would be the "worst possible thing."

Wearing a perfectly tailored suit, old Etonian he and starched white collar, he had gone to lunch with the Men's Wear Council.

He heard the Council's views from its chairman, Mr. A. W. Robbins, who said: "While willing to support the Government to the hilt, and to submerge a considerable degree of individuality in helping the war along, we would warn against a policy of standardisation for our industry."

**Exports Vital**

Mr. Hudson was there to tell the tailors and manufacturers of men's wear to do their utmost to stimulate our exports.

He said that the Government would like to see exports surpass those of 1929, the boom year.

Then they were worth £25,000,000 to us. Last year they were about £10,000,000.

And he added significantly: "In view of the overwhelming need for overseas trade, a great deal of home trade will inevitably have to be sacrificed."

That means that you and I will be asked to cut down our purchases of clothes.

The purpose of the lunch was to announce the Council's publicity and propaganda campaign to sell British men's wear abroad.

## BOMB ON SCHOOL

### Children Were At Prayers

SIX HUNDRED boys and girls at morning prayers in a Lincoln school heard the drone of an aeroplane—then a bang, and the crash of falling tiles and masonry.

An R.A.F. bomber had accidentally dropped a practice smoke-bomb on the roof of Monks-road council school.

Teachers marshalled the children and marched them into the corridors. Then it was found that little damage had been done.

The bomb had hit a dividing wall in the roof and lodged there. It produced a lot of smoke, but no fire, and the city fire brigade arrived within a few minutes and put out the bomb with chemicals.

Mrs. Heath, headmistress of the infants department, said that, to avoid a scare, she told the children a water-pipe had burst.

The children filed out without panic. Half an hour afterwards they were back at their lessons.

## MADE POOR BY LEGACY

GEORGE GREEN, a 54-year-old Upwell, Norfolk, farm-worker and his wife Ann, who is two years older, looked after an invalid, John Hill.

When the invalid died, the Greens inherited his estate, which was worth £203.

But a relative claimed £40, which he said he had lent Hill, and a court action was decided in his favour.

The costs were £110, the sale of the property cost £23, medical and funeral expenses were £24.

Receiving orders were made against both Mr. and Mrs. Green. Adjourning Mr. Green's case in King's Lynn bankruptcy court, the registrar said:

"It is an instance of a small sum being swallowed up by enormous law costs."

## In 1,300 Years This Is All That Happened—



## NOW £7,000 CASE COMES TO TOWN

MALMESBURY, Wiltshire.

THIRTEEN HUNDRED years is a long time to wait for fame. Malmesbury, winding grey-walled, tiny English country town, has been dreaming placidly on its Cotswold hillside since 640 A.D.

At last, in 1940, it has got into the newspapers.

In the 1,300 intervening years it has known three other local sensations.

The first was when, in the 12th century, an adventurous young monk named Elmer fled wings to his hands and his feet and leapt boldly from the top of the abbey tower.

He flew 220 yards, the legend insists, before gravity prevailed and he fell to the ground, breaking both his legs.

Then there was the sad incident of the Duke of Clarence who, you will remember from your history books, was drowned at the Tower of London in a butt of malmsey wine in 1478.

Seven years earlier he had seized the great estates, including those in Wiltshire, of Warwick the King-maker, who had been killed at Tewkesbury.

Thirly, there was the case of Miss Hannah Wynnox who, in 1703, at the age of 33, was eaten by a tiger, which escaped from a circus visiting Malmesbury.

**"Tyger Fierco"**

Her tragedy is poignantly commemorated on a tombstone in the graveyard of Malmesbury Abbey.

In the bloom of life she was snatched from hence she had not room to make defence for tinner fierce took life away and here she lies in bed of clay.

Until the Resurrection Day. But Malmesbury never got into the papers until January 1, 1940, when suddenly it became the centre of a huge prosecution for alleged fraud, involving £10,000, 20 accused, 115 witnesses, 1,500 exhibits, and all the bustling activity of a large-scale court case.

**Making History**  
And every day since, apart from Sundays and a short adjournment caused by illness, the town hall's council chamber, which also serves as a Badminton court, dance floor, concert-room and theatre auditorium—has been occupied by proceedings which, after six weeks, seem likely to go on for at least another two.

What a break for Malmesbury folk, you might think. New faces, money being spent in the town by visiting witnesses, solicitors and onlookers, history being made under their noses in a police court which, hitherto, has had to deal with the mildest and most moderate of rural vices.

But Malmesbury thinks otherwise. It is not merely bored but thoroughly disgruntled. Nearly everybody concerned in the case does not return till next day.

Said the landlord of the George, Mr. Philip McGoldrick: "Who will have to pay for this case, for the witnesses brought from Manchester, Leeds and Birmingham, for the transport of the prisoners daily from Bristol? Why, us ratepayers."

**"Won't Pay Rates"**  
"This case will cost £7,000 before it is over. True, 17 of the prisoners have lunch here every day under police escort. But what I charge for their meals will go back on the rates!"

In the kitchen was cook, Mrs. Rhoda Fry.

"I shan't be sorry when this is all over," she said, as she dished up 34 fried eggs, then hurried across the room to put 34 lumps of sugar in 17 saucers.

"Still I must say," she added, "some of the prisoners are very good. They come out to the kitchen and help me carry their meal into the dining room."

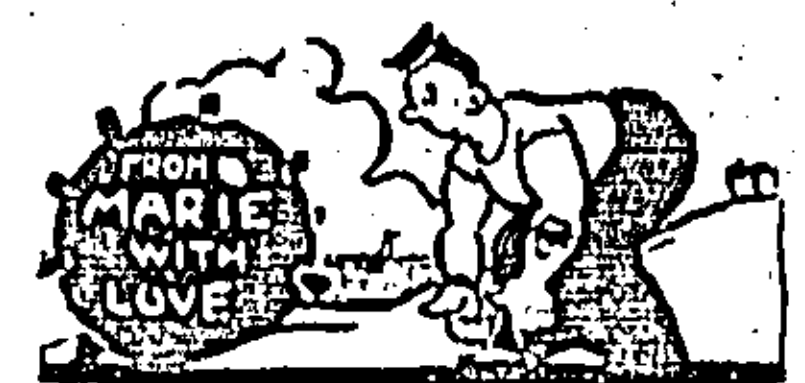
During the luncheon adjournment the prisoners, escorted by policemen, are allowed to go shopping in Malmesbury.

**A Rose By Any Other Name—**

New York.—Judges in a solemn competition held in New York to discover a new name for mothers-in-law, which would avoid "unpleasant connotations at present associated with the word," finally chose Kin-mother.

Among several hundred suggestions they turned down were: Elizabeth Mother, Lawma, Motherlink, and Motherkind.

The audience, in which mothers-in-law predominated, received coldly the suggestion Mother Rat, submitted by an embittered male competitor.



MINES have been found washed ashore in Belgium bearing girls' names.

No, it is not a sinister love plot by Hitler. Just a French sallor's custom of writing the name of sweetheart or wife on a mine before laying it.

## (Last) War wound kills man

Ex-soldier Arthur Howard Paget, of St. Paul's-road, Clifton, near Bristol, was hit by a German bullet while fighting in 1916. He was then twenty-four. Afterwards he had fourteen operations. Now he has died at Rookwood Military Pensions Hospital, Cardiff.

At the Cardiff inquest the verdict was that death was due to kidney trouble following the gunshot wound.

## Sarah Must Stay Married

MRS. SARAH PALFREY FABYAN, the United States Wightman Cup tennis player, was, at Salem, Massachusetts, refused a divorce from her husband.

The judge ruled that her cruelty allegation had not been sustained (says Reuter). Mrs. Fabyan, who is 27, married Mr. Marshall Fabyan in 1934.

She is a familiar figure at Wimbledon. Last year, with Miss Alice Marble, she won the ladies' doubles.

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## ENTERTAINMENTS

### THEY'RE SWINGING "BOOMPS A DAISY"

"BOOMPS A DAISY" in Swing Time! That is the latest novelty introduced to Hongkong by the Hartnells, Prince and Princess of Swing who are appearing nightly in the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

The old "Boomps," which was introduced here by Dave Harvey, has already swept the Colony.

All the steps are done to swing-time. Two "clap hands" instead of one, two "knees," a bump, a semi-polka waltz and the bow complete the first movement. The old waltz is replaced by the "truck," and the dance is completed.

There is very little difference, actually, to the old-style "Boomps A Daisy," but that difference peeps up the dance to an extraordinary degree. It has to be seen—and, more important, to be danced—to be appreciated.

During this week, the Hartnells are demonstrating both the swing and the "Boomps A Daisy" and "Knees Up, Mother Brown," the novelty dance which they introduced last week.

I have just been reading the latest papers from Home about the way in which "Knees Up, Mother Brown" is sweeping the country. It was introduced in London on December 12, 39.

You'll recall that the dance was pictorially illustrated on this page last Wednesday.

Fredric and Sandra Hartnell give four numbers at the Gripps this week in addition to the demonstrations of the two novelty numbers which, incidentally, have proved

## WHAT'S ON

QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA:  
"The Empress Dowager"  
(Chinese film).

KING'S: "Hell's Kitchen."  
MAJESTIC: "Hell Divers."  
ORIENTAL: "Hawaiian Nights."

so popular that there has been no hesitation on the part of spectators in joining in.

They announce a change of programme for Saturday night, when the Management of the Hongkong Hotel announces a 2 p.m. gala.

The highly successful season of the Hartnells is drawing to a close at the Gripps.

Usually, the Hongkong dance season also draws to a close somewhere around about the end of March.

But I have some good news for patrons of the Gripps.

Dave Harvey and the Dyer Sisters, one of the most successful teams to visit this Colony, are returning for another short season which will commence on Saturday, April 5.

Since leaving Hongkong, they have played a prolonged season in Manila.

Harvey planned to return to India after completing a few weeks in Manila.

But he has been as popular in the Philippines capital as he was in Hongkong and has extended his season to such an extent that plans have had to be altered.

The management of the Hongkong Hotel have received many

enquiries regarding this popular team, and have been able to arrange for them to play a return season in Hongkong before leaving the East.

THE BRITISH War Organisation Fund should benefit materially from the A.D.C.'s production of "Tony Draws a Horse," which opens at the China Fleet Club Theatre for a four-night season on Wednesday next week.

The cast includes Sunny Hole, Claude Burgess, Shellie Mackinlay, James Whitham, Beryl Fair, J. Roberts, Sam Pringle, Auguste Hoffmeister, Olive Green, Andrew Mackinlay, Anne Dowling, Gelsie Gilmore, Peggy Chubb and Amedee de Boysson.

"Tony Draws a Horse" is still running in London at the Comedy Theatre, where it opened over six months ago. The play is by Lesley Storm.

Incidentally, Hongkong's A.D.C. shortly celebrates its centenary—in four years time, to be exact. It was formed three years after Hongkong became a British Colony.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



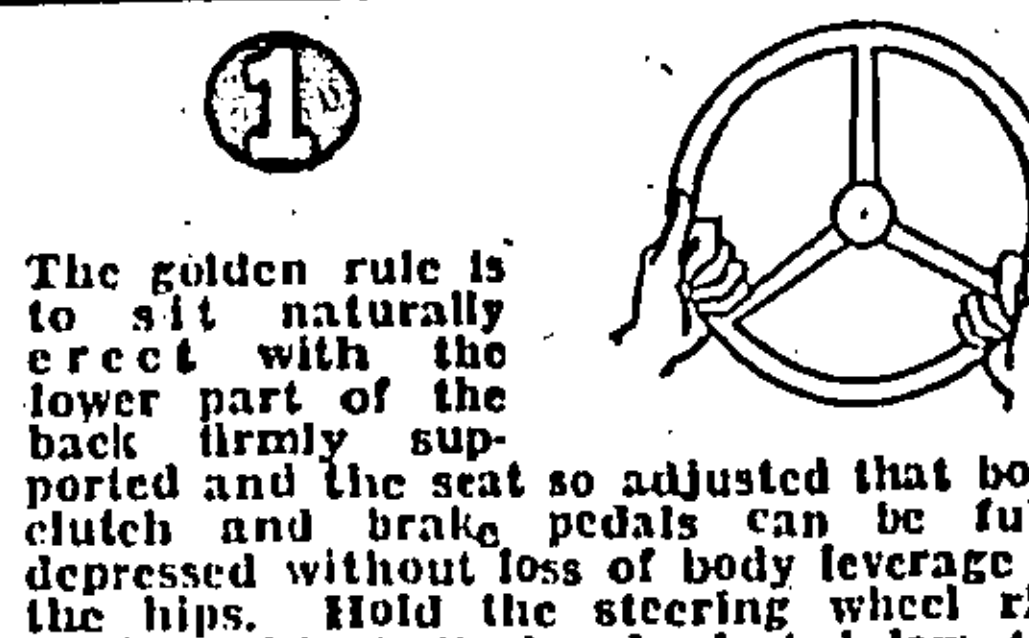
"We must first be sure what we feel is really love, Elwyn—not merely a deficiency of hormones A to D."

## MOTORING

### LEARN TO DRIVE



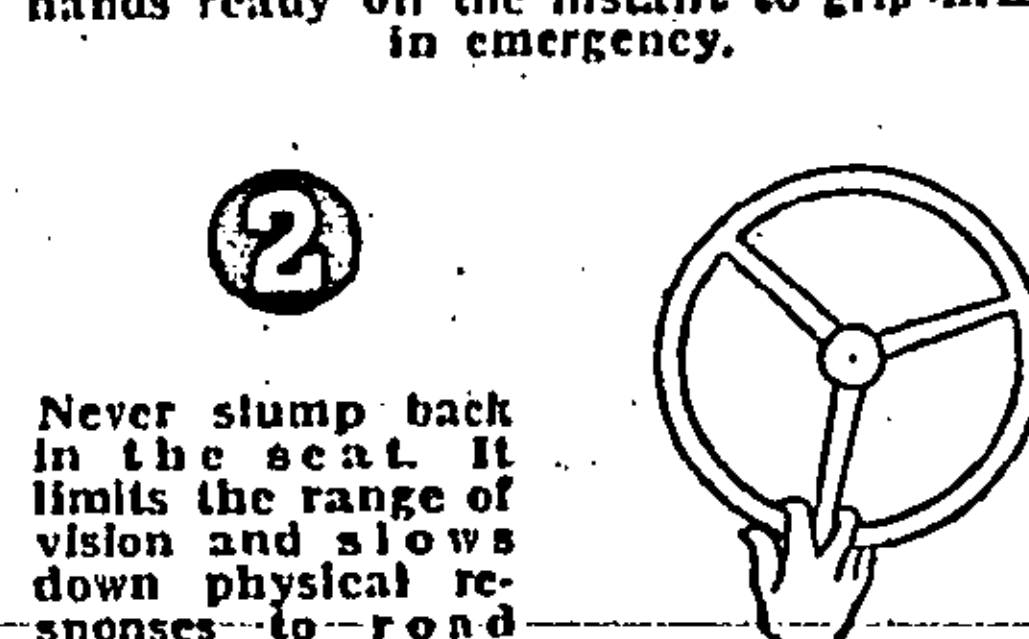
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The golden rule is to sit naturally erect with the lower part of the back firmly supported and the seat so adjusted that both clutch and brake pedals can be fully depressed without loss of body leverage at the hips. Hold the steering wheel rim lightly with both hands just below the centre, keeping the wrists supple and the hands ready on the instant to grip firmly in emergency.

Never slump back in the seat. It limits the range of vision and slows down physical responses to road conditions. Control by two or three fingers of one hand on the wheel is inadequate at any time. Be comfortable, but alert.

The top-and-bottom grip limits steering control and should never be adopted. This driver could not make a right-hand turn without altering the position of both hands.

## Spotting the Rank



### MIDSHIPMAN

A Midshipman is not a commissioned officer, but an officer under training, and is officially classed as a "subordinate officer."

Both Midshipmen and Naval Cadets wear buttons instead of stripes on their cuffs. They are distinguished from each other by the white patches officially known as "turnbacks," worn by Midshipmen on the coat lapels.

Unkind (and doubtless untrue) tradition has it that the buttons were placed on the cuffs to prevent these youthful officers from using a cuff in lieu of a handkerchief! Probably the same tradition is the origin of the nickname "Snotty," by which the Midshipman is universally known afloat.

Midshipmen are carried only in big ships, though it is customary to "load" them for two or three months at a time to destroyers in order that they may gain useful experience in this class of vessel.

Actually the term "Midshipman" dates from Elizabethan times, but it was then applied to a certain type of rating whose station in action was amidsthips.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- Greenland settlement (10 letters)
- Exposed to public
- Trailed
- Is in D scale
- Author
- China's name
- Animal
- Tube
- The chairman
- Unit of land
- Challenge
- Of French
- Insignia of honor
- With colored bands
- any time
- Trade
- Roostered
- Heavenly bodies
- Otherwise
- Opposing teams
- Wain
- Top of thigh
- Appears
- Unclear
- Complete
- Blending
- Printer's measure
- Mark with scars
- Lance

DOWN

- Consultation
- Hope fiber
- Bedate
- Advertises
- Occupied with
- Unkind
- Kind of love
- Make full of
- Held to be true
- laying day
- Indicates
- Watering place
- Church edifice
- Withers
- Roof edges
- Roof deposits
- Kind of machine-gun
- Direct philosopher
- Drive back
- Deceiver
- Educates
- Church edifice
- Day again
- Disappointed
- Small fish
- Annoyance
- Mark of wound
- Observe
- Attempt
- Exist
- Liver

## Beating the Censor...

LETTERS coming out of Germany are supposed to be strictly censored. Most of them are, but important items of news still trickle through to the outside world, the writers often using the simplest devices to fool the censor.

Here are a few typical and genuine examples:

When Hitler upset thousands of Baltic Germans by ordering them to return to the Reich, some of them invented ingenious devices to cheat the Nazi censor.

One of the repatriated Balts, for instance, extremely unhappy in his new German home, wrote to his brother in Riga, Latvia:—"Everything is very nice here, but I suggest you postpone your departure for Germany until after Jan's wedding."

Jan, the girl referred to in this letter, was only two years old. Another repatriated Balt tried a similar method to convey to friends at home the true state of things in Nazi Germany. He wrote:—"We have not seen our old friend Mr. Sviestas since we arrived."

Sviestas is the Lithuanian word for

butter. But the German censor did not know that.

British newspaper correspondents some time ago tried to get through to their newspapers the news that one of the Nazi leaders was seriously ill.

"He has been visited by six Harley-street men," they wired to London. The Nazi censor, who was anxious not to let anything leak out about this illness, passed the message. He did not know enough about London to understand what "Harley-street" stands for in England.

Last year Jewish families in Germany were constantly writing to friends abroad: "My poor husband (or son, or brother) has had to go on holiday."

It took us a long time to find out why the holiday-makers were so unhappy. In the end we realised that the "holiday" was really a spell in a concentration camp.

In one German area an ex-schoolteacher was made a Nazi censor. People who wanted to send messages abroad knew his weaknesses for correcting spelling mistakes in every letter which passed through his hands. So the writers made a series of spelling mistakes in their letters,

and believe it or not, the schoolteacher-censor concentrated so much on correcting them that he never bothered about the meaning of the messages.

Much of my news from Germany used to be written in the hand of a six or seven-year-old boy. Censors never bother to read children's letters.

There was a time when every Berlin paper carried thrilling stories about the exploits of two criminal brothers by the name of Sass.

A week later flames shot up from the Berlin Reichstag building. The Nazis accused the Communists of firing the Reichstag. But we knew that the Nazis themselves were the real culprits. I wired to my Editor in Vienna:—"Brothers Sass fired Reichstag."

He understood me and our paper next day carried a huge headline: "S.A. and S.S. Brownshirts and Black Guards fired the Reichstag."

We had beaten the censor successfully, for he would never have dared to pass a bald message containing such an accusation.

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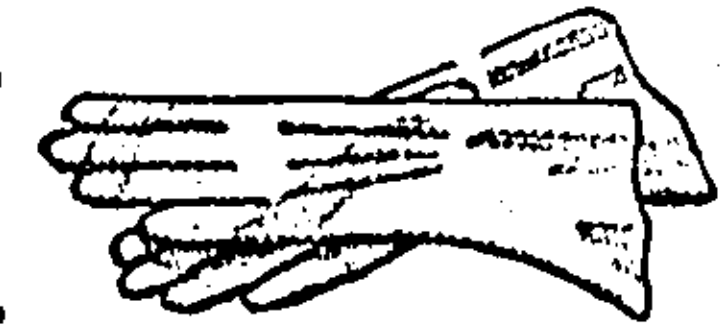


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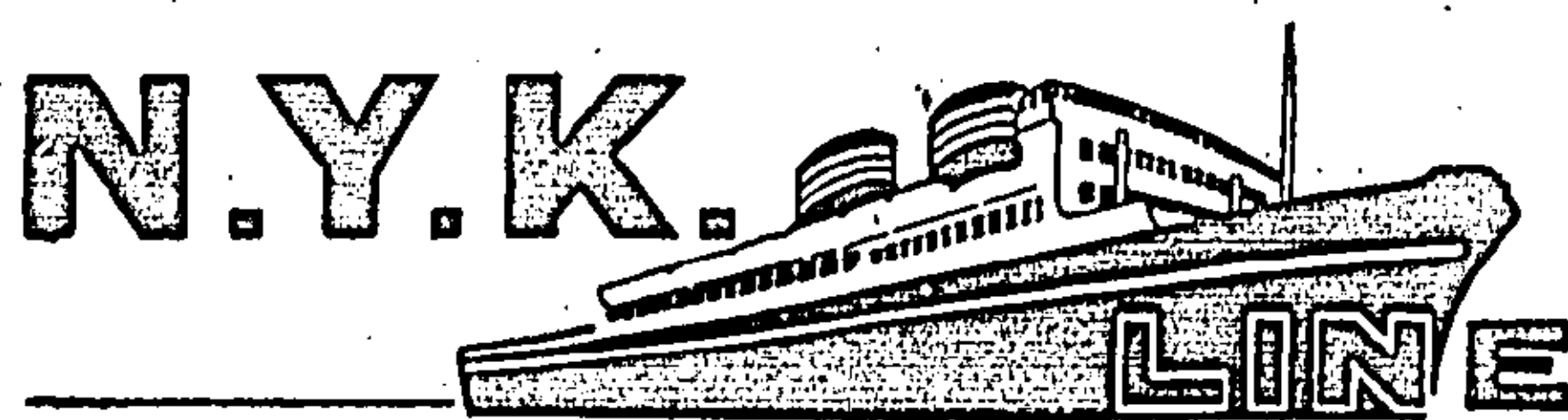
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## Cucumber Sauce Imparts Flavour To Salmon Steaks

By JUDITH WILSON

THERE are so many ways of making fish into delicious dishes that light meals need not be uninteresting or even monotonous. The season is ideal for and new methods of fish cooking. Salmon is particularly good served with cucumber sauce and plenty of Saratoga chips. Salmon steak is one of many seashore favourites that quick-freezing has made practical for budget menus.

### COLD SALMON WITH CUCUMBER SAUCE

- 1 salmon steak
- 1 cup water
- 1 cup sliced onions
- 1 cup sliced celery
- 1 cup sliced carrots
- 1 sprig parsley
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 peppercorns
- 2 whole cloves
- 3 thick slices lemon

Place either fresh or quick-frozen salmon in saucepan. Add water, celery, onions, carrots, parsley, salt, peppercorns, cloves and lemon slices. Cover and cook gently, figuring 8 minutes per pound for fish, 20 minutes for quick-frozen salmon steak. Cool in liquor. When cold, remove and chill. Serve with cucumber sauce.

### CUCUMBER SAUCE

- 1½ cups finely chopped cucumber
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon scraped onion
- 1½ to 2 tablespoons vinegar

Drain cucumber. Add remaining ingredients and mix lightly. Chill. Makes about 1½ cups sauce.

### SALMON SOUFFLE

- 1½ tablespoons butter
- 2 cups milk
- 2 cups flaked, cooked salmon
- Dash Worcestershire sauce
- Salt and pepper
- ¼ cup bread crumbs
- 4 eggs

Melt butter in saucepan, add milk, then fish. While it is heating, stir Worcestershire sauce, salt and pepper to taste, bread crumbs. Remove from fire, add yolks of eggs, beaten slightly. Cool, then fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites. Pour mixture gently into a baking dish, set in a moderately hot oven and cook for about a half hour. Just before serving a delicious but easy-to-make green sauce may be poured over it. This is made by adding a thin puree of fresh peas to mayonnaise.

### SALMON CASSEROLE

- 2 cups uncooked noodles
- 1 large can salmon
- ½ cup cooked or canned peas
- ½ cup chopped pimiento
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Dash of pepper
- 2 cups milk
- Bread crumbs

Drop noodles into salted, boiling water and cook until tender. Drain. Put a layer of noodles in a buttered baking dish. Cover this with layer of flaked salmon, peas and finely chopped pimiento. Alternate layers of fish, noodles, peas and pimiento until all ingredients are used. Make a white sauce by melting butter, adding and blending in flour, seasonings and milk. Cook. When

of making fish into delicious dishes that light meals need not be uninteresting or even monotonous. The season is ideal for and new methods of fish cooking. Salmon is particularly good served with cucumber sauce and plenty of Saratoga chips. Salmon steak is one of many seashore favourites that quick-freezing has made practical for budget menus.

### DINNERS

- Cream of Celery Soup
- Cold Salmon with Cucumber Sauce
- Hot Potato Chips
- Buttered Lima Beans
- Lettuce and Tomato Salad
- Egg Pudding
- Crackers and Cheese
- Grapefruit Cocktail
- Salmon Souffle
- Carrots and Peas
- Stuffed Baked Potatoes
- Cottage Pudding, Lemon Sauce

thickened pour sauce over ingredients in baking dish. Sprinkle top with crumbs, dot with butter and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 1 hour.

Boiled salmon is delicious served hot with the following sauce.

### CUCUMBER-HOLLANDAISE SAUCE

- 1 cup butter
- 4 egg yolks
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- Dash of cayenne
- 1 cup chopped cucumber, drained

Divide butter into three equal parts. Place 1 piece in top part of small double boiler. Add egg yolks and lemon juice. Place over water that is just below boiling point and stir constantly. When butter is melted, add second piece of butter. As mixture thickens, add third piece, stirring constantly while cooking. Cook only until thick. Remove from hot water; add seasonings and drained, chopped cucumber. Serve at once.

### SHORT CUTS

When lighting a birthday cake, always light the candles in the middle first and those on the outside last.

If the pan used for baking cookies is inclined to burn them on the bottom, try turning the baking pan upside down and baking the cookies on the bottom of the pan. They will not burn.

Do not iron creases in silk underwear. After garment has been pressed, fold softly by hand.

Put a small lump oforris root into the rinsing water for handkerchiefs, blouses and other dainty apparel for a delightful perfume of violets.

Old rubber hot water bottles that leak make fine kneelers mats for house or garden. The carving knife should have a place of its own where it is not in contact with other cutlery to dull the fine edge, and where it is unlikely to cause a nasty cut to the person searching in the drawer for an implement.

Furniture of the best quality is stuffed with long curled horsehair, while lower grades use moss, short hair and excelsior.

## Hints For The Home

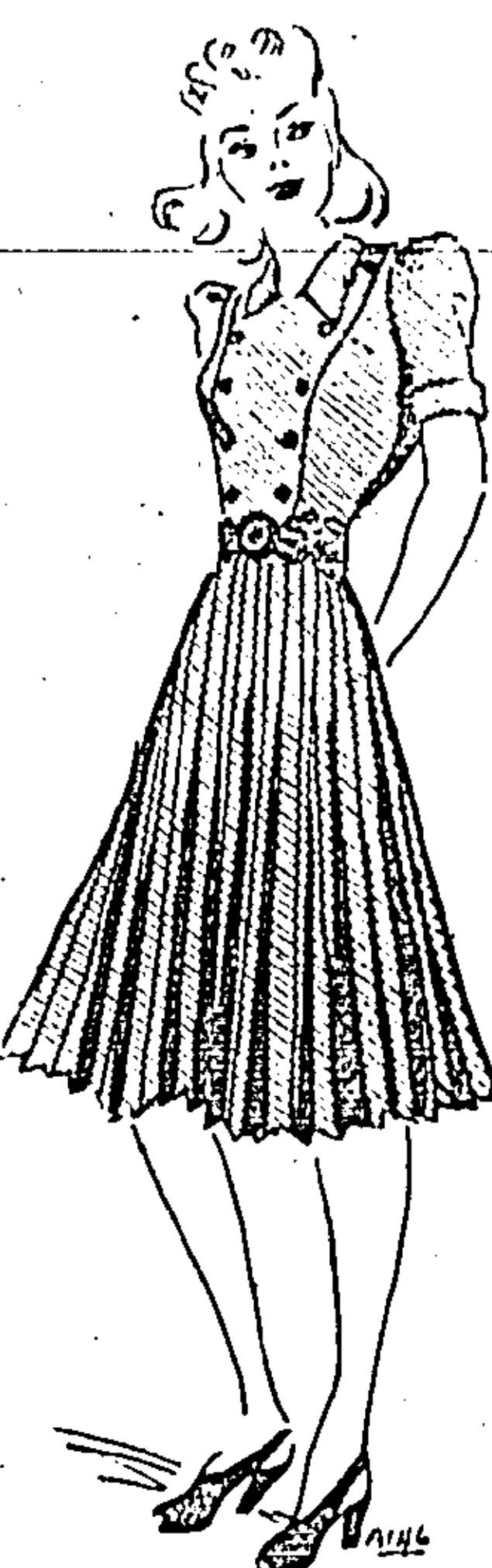
A DISCARDED household tin can be adapted to make a successful A.R.P. lamp. With the tin-opener cut a hole in the bottom, and slip the tin over the bulb which has to be screened. It is not necessary to paint the tin. All that is needed is a plain tin with the wrapping soaked and scraped off. Give it a rub up with polish before fixing on, and the effect is good.

It is possible in an emergency to fry without fat. The method is quite simple. Sprinkle a thin layer of salt in the pan, and let it get very hot before cooking the meat for a minute each side. Then fry for about five minutes slowly on each side.

If half a pound of margarine is creamed along with an egg, this makes an excellent substitute for butter. It is particularly good for spreading on sandwiches. In a household where fruit juice is taken regularly, large quantities of orange, lemon, or grape fruit skins are often left over. These can be used to make a delicious jelly. They should be boiled along with sugar and then strained. The jelly can be used as soon as it is set.

An excellent scouring powder can be made by crushing some egg shells into a fine powder. Sprinkle this on to the scrubbing brush, and it will be found particularly good for removing stains from white woodwork.

A. W.



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Asked whether he could love Hitler in view of the persecutions and suffering of hundreds of thousands of people, Tyler said, "Yes, I do. That my actions are anti-social does not make me forget that he is a child of God. I assume he has a soul, as I have."

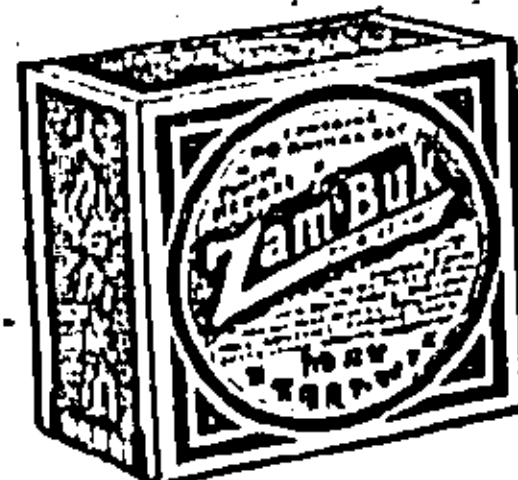
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2.15 Close down.

5.45 Studio—Children's Hour.

6.45 Closing local Spot Quotations.

6.47 Dance Music.

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8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Two Piano Recital by Herbert and Bernhard Ruff (from the Gloucester Hotel).

8.23 Variety with Grace Fields, Arthur Askey, Zora Layman, and Others.—Vocal—Why Did I Have To Meet You? (Jim Queen of Hearts); Grace Fields with Orchestra; Comedian—Ding Dong Bell (Askey); I Pulled Myself Together (Askey); Arthur Askey with Piano accomp.; Saxophone—Some Of These Days (Brooks); Coleman Hawkins with The Ramblers Dance Orchestra and Vocal Chorus; Vocal—The Beautiful Bearded Lady (Luther); Don't Go In The Lion's Cage To-Night (Luther); Zora Layman and The Homesteaders with Orch.; Humorous—John Henry's Night Out (Henry); John Henry assisted by Gladys Henderson; Cinema—Organ—The King Steps Out (Medley) (Kreider); Reginald Foort; Comedian—The Wedding of a Gigolo (Nesbitt and Others); I Want To Be A Nudist (Nesbitt and Others); Eddie Pola with Orchestra; Vocal—Poor Me, Poor You (McConnell and Others); Fiddler Joe (London and More); Grace Fields with Orchestra; Vocal—Night Nursery (Kelly and Arundale); The Village That Nobody Knows (Simpson-Haydn Wood); Turner Layton at the Piano.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Vive La France"—5.—The fifth of a series of Life of the French Army and People.

9.45 A French Programme with Georges Thill (Tenor) and Jane Bathori (Mezzo-Soprano).—March Lorraine (Ganne).—La Garde Republicaine Band; Ouvre Ton Coeur (Bizet); Nult D'Espagne (Massenet); Maurice Faure at the Piano; L'Arlesienne Suite No. 2 (Bizet); Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra; Lied (Catulle, Mendes and Chabrier); Clair De Lune (Debussy and Fauré); Jane Bathori (Mezzo-Soprano) accompanying herself at the Piano; Werther—O Nature Pleine De Grace; Georges Thill (Tenor) with Orchestre; La Marseillaise.... La Garde Republicaine Band.

10.15 B.B.C. Recording—"Over the Garden Wall"—A Sketch.

10.30 Dance Music.

11.0 Close down.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued yesterday says:

The market was listless.

**Buyers**

Union Ins. \$505.

China Lights (Old) \$8.20.

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Entertainments \$7.40.

**Sellers**

Lands \$374.

Tramways \$17.85.

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### Nazi Super-Man

Dr. Ley, the leader of the Nazi Labour Front, repeats what he has often said before, that Poles and Jews are mere vermin, to be exterminated so that the superior race, the Germans, may have room to live. A German, he insists, could never live in the same conditions as a Pole or a Jew.

What sort of life, then, does this superman live? The question has been answered in various books, written by men who have Nazi hierarchy. One of the latest which throws light on these dark places is "Hitler's Twelve Apostles," by Oswald Dutch, describing the character and exploits of the chiefs of the clique which Hitler has gathered round him.

This Ley, nick-named "the Jailer of the German Workers" when German working men were still free to speak their minds, is acknowledged to be the champion toper of the Party. "He is best found in the ale-house from which the loudest laughter issues, but it is also common knowledge in the Party that when Ley is urgently wanted all that is necessary to produce him is to ring up his favourite taverns."

"Although he is married, and, as an organiser of the German Labour Front is busy day in and day out, he is hardly ever to be found at home in the evening or early hours of the night; he is always at some inn or another. It has repeatedly happened that not only has Ley had to be brought home dead drunk in his service car, but also he has even attended important Party meetings not entirely sober. Since, however, in the Party drinking is a peculiarity which, even if it is carried to excess, does not in any case cast a slur on the offender, Dr. Ley's love of beer and wine has aided rather than injured his reputation."

And as for his other qualities, they are much the same as those of most of the notorious twelve. When Ley destroyed the German Trade Unions and established the Labour Front in their place, he did so with the utmost violence and shamelessness. The "brutal fist and the point of the bayonet" made his success possible.

# MURDER BEFORE BREAKFAST

JACK SANDERS has gone home. He doesn't want to work in a lightship any more. He wants a job where he gets a gun.

And this is why:—

It was early on a stormy, miserable North Sea morning.

The East Dudgeon lightship was riding a swollen, swelling sea. Jack Sanders, 5ft. 9ins. and 12st. 6lbs., had just come up on deck to take his turn in keeping watch with young George Jackson.

They were great friends these two. After a few minutes they heard airplane engines. Then down out of the cloud came a Heinkel bomber and swooped just over their mast-head. Even then they weren't terribly alarmed, for Nazis had sometimes flown over their ship before and waved a greeting.

But when it circled round they ran for cover under the after-part of the deckhouse. George Jackson and three others of the crew had seen this happen before. They knew what was probably coming.

AND sure enough there came a burst of machine-gun fire. The German came over a third time and dropped a bomb.

Seeing the way it fell the crew made for shelter in the bows.

One of them, Bell, was a sick man, but the skipper had to order him to get dressed and stand by.

The plane circled round and dropped another bomb, then a salvo of four.

It was murder, crouching there in the bows with not even a shotgun to defend themselves with.

And the German was getting nearer. His seventh dropped not much more than ten yards from the ship. The eighth smashed right through the port lifeboat and exploded under the stern.

She jumped almost clean out of the sea, and as she wallowed back they found themselves waist deep in swirling, icy water.

The deck rail went overboard and all the glass in the big lantern started rattling back. The ship was listing badly to starboard.

THEY stuck it for half an hour, and it was obviously no use trying to stay any longer. They ran for the remaining boat and put off.

The Nazis circled round three or four times to make sure they weren't going back to the ship, and made off in a northerly direction.

Then they pulled back and young George Jackson went inboard to get the lifeboat equipment box and emergency stores.

They were wet and freezing cold, but very hopeful. They didn't talk much.

Some one started singing "Roll out the barrel"—and some one else told him to shut up.

THE skipper, Mr. George, a tough, compactly built man of about fifty-four, was at the tiller. His plan was to run for the Humber, and his job was a difficult one; for with the sea that was running they were in much danger of being swamped if she got broadside on to them.

As it was, two men were kept bailing all the time.

Sanders and Bert Rumsby were pulling, and the other three were up in the bows.

Bell was too ill to do anything. He had been seasick ever since he came aboard the previous Thursday. Sanders didn't even know his name until the police told him afterwards.

"They were a very nice crowd," says Jack Sanders.

"Herbert Rumsby, very quiet but very nice. About forty-five. I suppose you saw 'Major' Kauri? Good cat men you could wish to be with, a man nearly fifty. I'd been ship-mates with him before—nine years I've been in lightships—and Bardolph Boulton too, he was a nice chap, about forty-four, I think."

"Then Dick Norton, he was a good old sort, must have been about fifty-five. I lived alongside him, home in Yarmouth, for two years."

IT was about two hours before they lost sight of the ship. They were glad to do that, for it meant they were getting somewhere.

Shortly after that they sighted a trawler. A wave of life swept over them. They tied a blanket to an oar and hoisted it.

They burned some flares, hoping they would see the smoke. Pathetically they shouted. But the trawler did not see them and passed on.

"When she'd gone it took a bit of the go out of us," says Sanders.

"They got out their rations, bully beef and biscuit."

Bell, the sick man, asked for a

You read a week ago of German air raids along a 400-mile line off the east coast of Britain. One of the victims was the East Dudgeon lightship. At the time, the attack on this defenceless craft was told in a few words. Read, to-day, the dramatic story of the only man in a crew of eight who escaped

as told to

## ANTHONY COTTERELL

drink of water, but the bung had got knocked out of the keg and the water had all run away.

They didn't feel much like eating; they were too busy watching the horizon.

It began to get dark. Harry Davis took Jack Sanders's place at the oar. It was the first break for Sanders that day. He began to nod.

But after twenty minutes Davis had to give up; he was too tired and frozen to go on. Sanders said, "Well, get back, old chap," gave him a clap on the back and he fell back into the water on the floor of the boat.

THEY went on pulling. The worst thing of all was the darkness.

They were beginning to reach their limit. They had been rowing in heavy seas all day and most of the night. The skipper ordered them to put the anchor over. They did it; it touched bottom, and they knew they must be somewhere near land.

They should have been warned by the sound of the breakers, but these were drowned by the heavy surf which had been chasing them all day long.

And these white tops were to be their ruin. A cross current caught them and three great waves came smacking down.

They jumped to right the boat for the first one. "Start bailing out," shouted the skipper.

"But before we could move the second one struck us," says Sanders. "We're on a shoal, skipper," I heard young George Jackson shout. Then the third one simply upped the boat and threw us all out into the water.

# £4000 A MINUTE

THE Chancellor's revelation that the war is costing this country at least £6,000,000 a day—just over £4,000 a minute—is sufficiently impressive proof of the enormous burden twentieth century totalitarian hostilities place on the belligerents.

Actually that is not the end of the story, because when Britain is fully into her war stride the cost will most probably rise to half as much again.

As a measure of the extent of the national effort £6,000,000 is more dramatic than final. For, although expressed in sterling of present day purchasing power, it is actually greater than the daily expenditure in the latter days of the Great War, it represents a materially smaller fraction of the national income than 21 years ago.

A well-known economist, Mr. Colin Clark, now Government statistician in Queensland, estimates that in 1918 Great Britain was devoting to war purposes 60 per cent. of the current national income. So far in this war only about 40 per cent. is being devoted to them. Furthermore—and this is greatly in our favour—he reckons that the present productive capacity of British industry is half as large again as it was in 1918. Therefore the expenditure on the present scale could be continued for a number of years without undue burdens.

### The Tax-payer's Load

This policy, however, would drag out the conflict. Britain's aim is to throw the whole weight of her resources into the struggle to bring it to a speedy conclusion, and it is plain that £6,000,000 a day by no means represents our maximum effort.

The financial side of the present war very much resembles that of the Great War. The upward sweep of expenditure is following much the same course. In September it was £6,250,000 a day, and it will soon be 25 per cent. greater than that.

It is interesting to compare the expenditure curves of the Great War and the present war. They show striking resemblances, which are likely to continue. The seven million mark will soon be passed, and in the course of little more than a year the seven millions may reach eight millions, and even nine millions a day.

Most far-sighted economists hope, for the sake of posterity, that we shall be able to raise a larger proportion of this out of the current taxation than we did before. If not the next generation will be faced with crippling burdens.

The country's total income at the present time is calculated by financial experts to be about six thousand

## The Cost of Totalitarian War

millions. Taxation will raise about £695,000,000 this year. This proves that so far the Government is only taking in taxation about 16 per cent. Although taxation seems heavy enough, before the close of the Great War nearly 30 per cent. was being taken in taxation to finance the struggle.

### If Inflation Came

These figures are further proof that Britain has by no means reached the maximum of her war effort. The national income is bound to increase, and, as Sir Walter Layton has pointed out, if by financial mismanagement uncontrolled inflation sets in, it would rise to astronomical figures—with the danger of terrible collapse as in Germany, some rise in prices and wages is inevitable, and economists believe that the national income will rise to between seven thousand millions and eight thousand millions.

If the cost of the Great War is anything to go by the Government will require well over three thousand millions for war purposes, and in all it will very probably expend four thousand millions. Much remains to be decided and planned out before the nation is fully girded for war. The large number of unemployed is sufficient evidence of this.

To quote Sir Walter Layton:—"Up to the present we are a very long way short of our maximum war effort. How quickly the peak can be reached, how far it should be financed by taxation or by internal borrowing, the proportion to be spent on the three fighting services and civil defence respectively, and the extent to which the decision must be governed by the amount of imports which we have the means of buying overseas—these are all major questions that need to be answered before it is possible to draw up a national war plan."

### The People's Savings

The enthusiastic reception given by the public to the new issue of National Savings Certificates and Defence Bonds is striking evidence that the British public is anxious and willing to contribute towards the cost of the war.

Mr. J. M. Keynes, the eminent economist, has come forward with a

seemed to this cruelly battered man to be great mountains of black rock. The pleasure beach was a savage windswept shore.

His seven friends crawled a few yards up the shore and went to sleep. They were found next morning in a sad quarter-mile line along the sands—dead.

But something drove Jack Sanders on to get help. He dragged himself through gaps in the dunes, down across 200 yards of rough wind-splashed ground, through a gate, up a patch and round a corner out of reach of the wind.

I traced his path a few mornings later. How he had the strength is a miracle.

Next: "I fell forward. My hands went through windows. I couldn't feel the cuts. I pulled more glass away with my hands and slumped down."

BUT it was only an out-house. He fell back in a faint. If he had slept then he would have died. But his lifebeat was keeping his neck strung up so that he couldn't sleep.

He staggered across the path and rattled a gate. Then on to and up some steps, and threw himself in a last effort against the door at the top of them.

And by a tremendous stroke of luck he found himself in a room used for storing blankets. Far gone as he was, he struggled for more than an hour to get out of his clothes; then buried himself in blankets and slept fitfully until 7.30 a.m., when through the window he shouted to young Wally Turfit.

Turfit roused Mr. and Mrs. George Threadgold, retired pork butchers, whose house it was.

At 10 a.m., when Jack Manning, the local Daily Express man, arrived, Sanders was talking freely, but was still dazed.

The doctor allowed him bacon and eggs. Then Police Sergeant Conner took him to the police station, where Mrs. Conner has been looking after him ever since.

He is still very weak. He can't use his swollen fingers properly yet.

But the main trouble is mental: "It'll be a long time before I can stop thinking of those seven men."

notable scheme, whereby every person should contribute a percentage of his income for loan purposes. This, he estimates, would bring in about four hundred millions a year. It would serve a double purpose; the restriction of expenditure resulting upon higher wages, thus creating demand and forcing up prices, so leading to the pitfall of inflation; and the putting away of money which would be released after the war, when there will occur the inevitable slump. The money so taken would help to pay for the war and afterwards when returned assist the wage-earner over the industrial depression.

Whether this war will cost as much as the Great War, nobody can tell, as this will entirely depend on its duration. An exact calculation of its cost to Great Britain is impossible. The day after the declaration of war the Government obtained from Parliament a vote of credit of £100,000,000. Nobody realised then this would be a mere drop in an ocean, but it was so, and the other day, lecturing on the war potential of Britain, Professor Shirlas, Professor of Economics until recently at the University of Bombay, said that if the national income rises to seven thousand millions, and the government takes the same proportion of our expenditure as in the last war, we shall be able to reach a maximum war effort of at least three hundred millions a month, which gives us daily expenditure of over the nine millions estimated by some financiers.

### Nazi's Financial Weakness

One hundred millions to-day would last little more than a fortnight, and in the end 4th War Governments of 1914-1918 had to spend the huge sum of £8,417,000,000.

We had to lend huge sums to the Allies, and ourselves borrow from the United States. It says much for the enormously strong financial position of Britain, that had we not been compelled to make loans to Russia, France, Italy, Rumania, Portugal, and sundry other countries, we would have been able to finance our efforts entirely.

We can take courage from the fact that whereas we are this time nowhere near the peak of our war effort, Germany has "already" marshalled practically her full economic reserves and cannot make a greater effort" (Mr. Colin Clark), and in his book "Nazi Germany Can't Win" Dr. Neckers, himself a former German officer, declares the Nazi doctrine of self-sufficiency has created new weaknesses, both moral and economic.

Norman Barclay



## OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

### No Weakening In France

Paris, Mar. 27. M. Reynaud intends to make direct and personal contact with all France's chief foreign envoys. The Ambassador in Brussels and Rome will be the first to return to Paris for a short period. The Ambassador in London was in Paris a few days ago. The other envoys will report shortly. —Reuter.

#### Press Reaction

Paris, Mar. 27. The morning papers reflect the deep impression made by M. Reynaud's broadcast.

L'Espresso says, "We will abandon M. Reynaud to-morrow if we consider him wrong, but let us give him credit to-day."

The Figaro writes that M. Reynaud addressed the nation in sober, energetic and determined language. He impressed on us to what extent every Frenchman's effort is necessary to secure victory.

The Echo de Paris describes the speech as delivered in brave language which Frenchmen can hear, accept and approve if they are convinced that those governing them are animated by the same spirit of total abnegation and sacrifices equally shared.

L'Ouvrier states that M. Reynaud's clear and moving speech was a perfect answer to the Hitlerian propaganda which seeks to exhibit France as a nation weakened by internal discord. —Reuter.

#### Approval In London

London, Mar. 27. The speech of M. Reynaud has been received with warm approval in London. The Daily Telegraph says, "M. Reynaud spoke as a statesman less concerned to calculate votes than to represent the spirit of France. He took the tone of a leader who is asked what his policy was, and he replied like a famous predecessor, 'I wage war.'"

A government of national unity, or some ministerial expression of profound unity of the French people in conflict is what he looks forward to and will work for. So much he made plain.

"In the composition of the present ministry he claimed that the sole purpose was to form such a government as would exert the utmost possible strength in action."

"The hour in which we live is decisive. In that conviction he is at one with his predecessor and present colleague, M. Daladier, who not long ago called upon civilians as well as troops to 'consecrate their whole strength to the service of the French Republic.'"

The Telegraph concludes, "M. Reynaud's brilliant record in the recovery of French finance proves that he has qualities of 'lucidity and daring' which he once declared, not without justice, were primary needs of statesmanship in these troublous times."

#### Surprise To Germans

London, Mar. 27. Circles close to the Government welcome M. Reynaud's speech as a response to the French people's determination to continue the most energetic war policy.

Semi-official circles believe M. Reynaud's broadcast was a surprise to the German commentators who had expected they saw signs of weakening in the French Governmental changes. —United Press.

### Scottish Regiments Move Up

Paris, Mar. 27. The French authorities to-day announced that the British line had been extended to take over a new sector from the French. No details regarding the extension are available, but it is understood that the occupants of the sector include some of the most famous Scottish regiments. —United Press.

#### Germans Take Prisoners

Berlin, Mar. 27. A High Command communiqué to-day states: "The German frontiers were successful in taking several prisoners. The enemy in addition suffered losses in several dead and wounded. North of Welsburg enemy shock troops were repulsed with losses."

"Despite strong opposition by enemy pursuit planes and anti-aircraft guns German planes during reconnaissance over France achieved valuable results. During the night of March 25-26 enemy planes flew over north-west Germany. In several cases they flew over Danish, Netherlands, Belgian and Luxembourg territory on the homeward flight." —United Press.

#### Award For Woman

Paris, Mar. 27. Mlle. Kurtz, ambulance driver, is the first woman to be awarded the Croix de Guerre in the present war. She was wounded at the Western Front last month. —Reuter.

### Finnish Cabinet Unchanged

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 27 (Reuter). Seven members of the new Finnish Cabinet were in the outgoing Ministry and all, with the exception of Mr. Tanner, retain the portfolios they held before.

M. Paasikivi, Minister Without Portfolio in the outgoing Cabinet, is not in the new Ministry.

### Plot Against Pres. Vargas

RIO DE JANEIRO, Mar. 27 (UP).—The Government has announced the unearthing of a conspiracy against President Vargas in Sao Paulo by a "former political clique of the Secretary of State." Several meetings were held in the homes of the conspirators. It is asserted that the movement had its headquarters in the office of a newspaper.

It is asserted that in the country house of one conspirator the authorities discovered hidden underground 37 machine guns and hand grenades.

The alleged conspirators have been taken to Rio de Janeiro in the custody of Federal officials.

### ALLIES IN NEAR EAST

FROM PAGE ONE

adequacy of Russian railroads and shipping lanes open to Russia.

The "New York Sun" says that the sinkings of German ore vessels are of great significance. These exploits represent the opening guns of the campaign to cut off the Reich's supplies of one product vitally necessary for the prosecution of the war.

If the British succeed in closing this route, their action may have catastrophic consequences for Hitler's embattled Reich.

The difficulties of transporting ore, if British submarines succeed in sinking into the Baltic and operating there, may become insuperable.

The Rio de Janeiro paper, "Jornal do Brasil," examining the possibility of reconstruction of the British Cabinet, says that the inclusion of Labour leaders would create greater efficiency and solidarity.

Another Rio de Janeiro paper, "Jornal de Commercio," appreciates the remodeled French Cabinet as a source of greater strength.

"OJornal" suggests a possible connection between the United States decision to sell 600 Army planes to the Allies and the failure of Mr. Sumner Welles' mission.

Lord Samuel's Views

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Lord Samuel, broadcasting the impressions of his recent tour to Cyprus, Palestine and Egypt, said that the countries he visited were more at peace in wartime than they had been in peacetime.

"Their local controversies, he said, had quietened down."

"Throughout that part of the world," he continued, "all parties and all sections in all countries are of one mind about the war."

"Turkey, Greece, Egypt and Palestine, Cyprus and Syria, and further away Iraq and the Hedjaz are a solid block of territory in which the rulers and the ruled everywhere take the same view on the dominant question of the day—the first time for many years that this has been so."

All are against Germany.

"All are deeply concerned that no aggressive totalitarian states should obtain the controlling influence in the eastern Mediterranean."

"Every section, therefore, is anxious not to do anything that would hinder the war effort of Britain and France."

### PLANES FOR FOREIGN POWERS

FROM PAGE ONE

House of Representatives' Military Committee that the Government's new policy of permitting the export of the latest American planes was designed to keep the United States air force constantly supplied with modern equipment.

Military secrets would not be disclosed nor would the United States air expansion be delayed.

Mr. Woodring said the United States War Department possessed possibly six types of planes superior to any other in the world.

The War Department was adjusting the foreign sales policy in various ways, including a stipulation that designs owned by the Department or by manufacturers over whom the Department had control would not be released for manufacture or detailed assembly abroad.

Mr. Woodring added that he had worked out this new policy "without coercion or pressure from anybody."

High army officials testified that the present expansion of production facilities indicated that the United States would be able to manufacture between 30,000 and 40,000 planes yearly by the end of 1940.

The Committee gave indirect approval to the Government's foreign sales policy.

Later several plane manufacturers met Government officials to work out plans for expediting foreign orders.

## HITCH IN TALKS Russo-German Obstacles

Amsterdam, Mar. 27.

The Berlin correspondent of the Amsterdam Telegraph says it is clear that the preparatory conversations for a new Russo-German contact are not proceeding smoothly. The chief obstacle is apparently the question of Soviet guarantees for Rumania and Turkey to form the basis of a rapprochement between Russia and Italy.

Moscow seems disinclined to abandon its ambitions in the Balkans even for a limited period.

The correspondent further declares that a complete change has overtaken the Nazi Press. Whereas last week the newspapers resounded with cries of a "New Europe" to be created by closer co-operation between Germany, Italy and Russia, not a single word is said now on this subject.

Only last Saturday a Wilhelmstrasse spokesman was indicating that the visit from M. Molotov was imminent and when questioned now they merely refer to the Soviet denial concerning such a visit.

The Italian lack of enthusiasm over the German statements about the Berlin-Moscow-Rome triangle has not escaped notice in Berlin. Particular attention was attracted by the Rome wireless denial of rumours that an Italian mission would commence negotiations with Moscow.

Then there was the Italian Ambassador's visit to the Quai d'Orsay and the French Ambassador's visit to the Rome Foreign Office. —Reuter.

### The Souritz Rumpus

### Envoy Exceeds Privileges

### Story Of Recall Of Ambassador

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Mar. 27 (UP).—The French Prime Minister to-day reported to the Cabinet that Russia has agreed to recall the Soviet Ambassador in accordance with France's demand, because the Ambassador is now considered persona non grata due to the fact that he tried to telegraph to Moscow denouncing "British and French warmongers" in connection with the consummation of the Russo-Finnish treaty.

Written in plain French language, the telegram was intercepted and a copy was sent to the French Charge d'Affaires in Moscow with instructions for him to inform the Soviet Foreign Minister that the Soviet Ambassador in Paris had exceeded his ambassadorial privileges.

Envoys In Conference

It was also announced today that the French Premier is recalling individually all French ambassadors from European capitals for consultation. He has already talked with M. Corbin from London and his next talk will be with M. Francois Poncelet from Rome and then M. Borgeat from Brussels after which he will consult the others singly.

Russian charges in Paris say that the date of M. Souritz's departure has not yet been fixed. Henceforth Russia will be represented here by the Soviet Charge d'Affaires, M. Pavel Kravitsky.

Personal Affair

"The case of M. Souritz must be considered a personal affair, concerning the personality of an ambassador who has overstepped the limits of courtesy," a French official spokesman said.

Meanwhile M. Naggler, French Ambassador to Moscow, has been in France since February on sick leave and it seems he spent a lengthy sojourn in British territory.

He is expected to return to the Russian Embassy and obliging all callers, even the Embassy staff, to identify themselves.

### Big Reward Posted

### For Capture Of Gang Of Jewel Robbers

Evidence that a big jewel robbery occurred in the French Concession, Shanghai, recently, can be seen at the Central Police Station, Hongkong, where a notice in French offers a reward of \$10,000 for the apprehension of the persons responsible for the theft of a large amount of valuable jewellery. A printed drawing illustrates the articles stolen. These include a pendant said to contain many diamonds. The notice is issued by Police of the French Concession.

Possibly, the reward refers to a Shanghai report that on March 2 robbers entered the King Albert Apartment home of Mrs. Alfred G. Denbigh, wife of the British Consul agent of Hakodate. Jewellery and other property to the value of 200,000 yuann were removed by the intruders.

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Lord and Lady Willington, who represented the British Government at the New Zealand centennial celebrations, returned home by air yesterday.

### Dividing World Between Them

NEW YORK, Mar. 27 (Reuter).

An indictment charging the Hausch and Lomb Optical Company, of Rochester, and the Carl Zeiss Company, of Germany, with dividing the world between them for the sale of military optical instruments, thus restricting trade in violation of anti-trust laws, has been returned by a Federal Grand Jury.

The United States Attorney, Mr. Isaacs, stated that the companies made a secret agreement in 1921 whereby the American company exclusively served America and the German company the rest of the world.

Consequently, the American company refused to sell periscopes, range-finders, gun-sights, bomb-sights, etc. to foreign Governments or American shipyards, armaments or foreign Governments unless the German company consented and agreed to the price.

The indictment further claims that the American company charged unreasonably high prices to purchasers, including the United States Government.

### Count Teleki's Talk Mystery

### Seen As Sequel To The Brenner Meeting

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).

Commenting on the visit to Rome of Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, and his long conversation with Signor Mussolini, the diplomatic correspondent of the BBC comments that no one outside the two governments concerned can know exactly what took place nor the reasons which prompted Count Teleki to go to Rome soon after the Brenner Pass meeting.

The latter, however, probably gives the clue to the situation.

Hungary is vitally interested in the relations existing between Italy and Germany.

Whatever designs Germany may have on her or on any Balkan or Danubian state her actions must depend on the attitude of other interested Powers.

Italy has made it clear often enough that she is one of the first to be considered.

It may well be that Count Teleki wanted to satisfy himself that the Brenner Pass meeting between Hitler and Mussolini had not upset the balance of forces on which Hungary depends.

### Throttling Trade

### Danish Outcry Against Nazi Sea Warfare

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 27 (Reuter).

On Tuesday night in the Danish Parliament every member rose when the Prime Minister expressed the nation's grief at the destruction of seven Danish ships within the past eight days and the loss of 80 lives by Nazi submarines and mines.

The Prime Minister condemned Germany's actions against the neutrals and her refusal to respect the right to carry on trade which is essential for their very existence.

As a result of the Nazi sea warfare Danish exports have fallen, while the prices for imported goods have risen so high that Government will now have to impose heavy new taxes.

### FINNISH SPIRIT STILL ALIVE

### Stirring Message By The President

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).

In a message to the retiring Government, President Kailla described the Soviet peace terms as "immoderate," but added that the people and Parliament had realised that even an enormous peace was preferable to years of sanguinary war in the face of great odds.

President Kailla warmly paid tribute to the outgoing Government for its endeavours to secure munitions during the war.

The Foundation Stones

"The defensive capacity of our Army is quite different from what it was at the beginning of the war," he said. "It is true that our country is mutilated—a matter which we mourn—but the Finnish people, alive to their duty, our independence and our Army still exist."

"These are the foundation stones on which, we shall continue to build our future," he concluded.

### Indian Agitator Sent To Prison

CHANDASSA, Bihar, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Jayprakash Narayan, General Secretary of the All-India Congress Socialist Party, who was arrested three weeks ago under the Defence of India Act after delivering a speech, was to-day sentenced to nine months' rigorous imprisonment.

## CANADIAN ELECTIONS

### Government Returns To Office

Ottawa, Mar. 27.

The Canadian Press has conceded the return of a Liberal Government. Dr. Manion, Leader of the Conservative Party has been defeated in the general election by the Rev. Dan McVoy, the Liberal candidate at Port William, Ontario.

The re-election of Mr. Michael, Minister of Fisheries is indicated in the Restigouche-Madawaska constituency of New Brunswick.

Mr. N. M. Rogers had an easy victory over the Conservative candidate Mr. H. A. Kidd, and this result is regarded as significant, since the Conservatives campaigned against Mr. Rogers' conduct of the war throughout the dominion.

The re-election of Mr. Euler, Minister of Trade and Commerce in the Waterloo North constituency of Ontario is indicated by the votes so far counted.

Mr. McLarty, Minister of Labour has been re-elected for Essex, East Ontario, and Mr. G. D. Howe, Minister of Transport, for Port Arthur, Ontario.

Mr. P. J. Cardin, Minister of Public Works has been re-elected for Richelieu-Verchères, Quebec.

Owing to the death of the Liberal candidate, Mr. Willie Poisson, polling in Three Rivers, Quebec, is postponed pending the nomination of a new candidate.

The only leading member of any party making any prediction of the election result was Mr. G. C. Power, the Postmaster General of Quebec, who conceded a maximum of 65 seats to the Conservative Opposition. Of these 40 might be won in Ontario. —Reuter.

United Press adds that early evening standings showed that the Liberals had 45 seats against the Conservatives' seven.

### Social Credits Lose

Ottawa, Mar. 27.

The state of the Parties at 8 a.m. (E.S.T.) to-day was Liberals 160, National Government 33, others 20, doubtful 20.

In a broadcast Mr. Mackenzie King said that he was relieved and proud that the Canadian people had shown other parts of the Empire that it was possible for Canada to carry through a general election in wartime without impairing the united war effort of a united country.

"You have seen with clear eyes the great issues. The result is proof that you felt a vigorous and united war effort by united Canada was necessary not only to aid Britain and France in the struggle to preserve freedom in Europe but also essential to preserve true freedom in our own land," the Premier added.

All the Ministers had easy victories except Mr. Mackenzie, Minister of Pensions, who had only a narrow majority. Mr. Murdoch MacPherson, runner-up to Mr. R. J. Manion for the leadership of the Conservatives Party, was defeated. The Conservatives thus lost two of their principal leaders.

The Liberal gains include a number of seats won from Alberta's Social Credit Party.

The latest state of the Parties is Liberals 172, National Government 37, others 22, still doubtful 11. —Reuter.

### Landslide Victory

Ottawa, Mar. 27.

The Mackenzie King Government returned to power on the general election results which thus far indicate a landslide victory for the Liberal Party.

The Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, in a broadcast to-day thanked the voters for defeating Dr. Manion, leader of the Conservative Party. He said the people voted to stay at home and that was their right.

The entire Cabinet has been re-elected. It is estimated that the Liberal majority in the House of Commons will exceed the last majority. —United Press.

### Appeal To Rifle Association

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The War Office has asked the National Rifle Association to provide a number of instructors for the training camp at Bisley.

In the last war, 15,000 officers and N.C.O.s passed through rifle training schools staffed by the National Rifle Association members.



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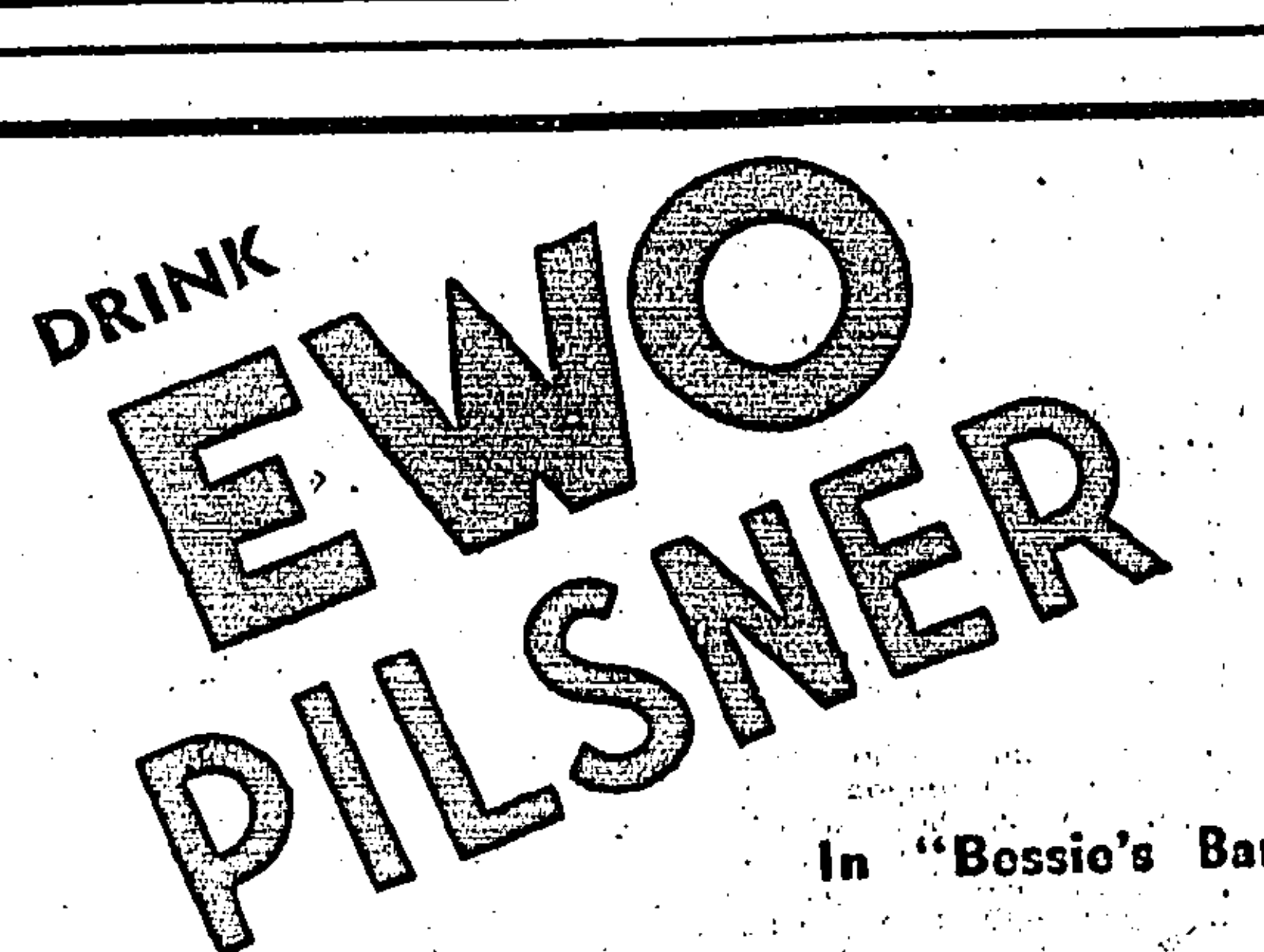
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## "Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

# AFTER-THOUGHTS ON INTERPORT

## Macao Forwards Fail To Shoot Accurately: Colony's Sound Defence

ONE CANNOT SAY that last Saturday's Interport hockey match with Macao was ruined by the weather. On the contrary, the ground at King's Park was in good condition, and though the surface was slippery, this made play somewhat exciting and fast.

I attribute Macao's defeat to the failure of the inside forwards to shoot accurately when within the circle. Had they done so Macao would surely have drawn, at least.

## KUMAONS TROUNCE 5th A.A.

### First Round Match Of Large Units Tourney

ON THE MARINA GROUND last Monday, in the first round of the Large Units Hockey Tournament, Kumaons Rifles defeated the 5th A.A. by 5-0. The Riflemen started off at a great pace, and for most of the first half were a fraction of a second faster than their opponents.

Apart from a short time in the second half, Kumaons were almost continuously on the attack, and the 5th A.A. defence was often spread-eagled by fine inter-passing movements between Nerrin and Partaub.

Though Capt. Stapleton was slow, he made some nice openings for his forwards, and Capt. Lock was in splendid form on the right wing. Krishna Singh was much more than a centre-half. Lock, Stapleton and Nerrin Singh shared the goals between them.

### Rajputs 7 R. Scots 0

IN THE SAME TOURNAMENT on the Rajputana ground last Tuesday, the Rajputana Rifles beat the Royal Scots by seven clear goals. Though the Scots were out-classed, the game was fast and interesting from start to finish. Both defences played well, but the Rajputana forwards were the far superior.

The home team led by three clear goals at the end of the first half. Datta Ram, at right back, was good and was responsible for two of the total from short corners. All the other goals were scored by Pritam Nath and Indarjit Singh, and were the results of good passing movements.

Sha Wali, on the right wing, was speedy and put in some very nice centres. The short, quick passing of the Rajputana men was more successful than the more powerful hitting of the Scots.

Cpl. Neave, for the Scots, got through a tremendous amount of work at centre half, with Hitchcock and Douglas the best of the forwards. With the result of these two games, I am inclined to think it is going to be an all-Indian final again this year, between the Champions and Runners-up, though Middlesex may give either team a tough time should they get through.

## International Tennis Meet In Japan

TOKYO, Mar. 26 (Domei).—In order to commemorate the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire, the Japan Tennis Association has invited ranking players from the United States, Australia and Italy to take part in an international meeting to be held in Tokyo during the Summer.

Italy has already accepted the invitation and Giorgio de Stefani, their first ranking player and Davis Cup captain, and another player will comprise their team.

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## RUMJAHN DEFEATS UMETANI IN STRAIGHT SETS

### Splendid Duel Of Tactics In Open Singles Yesterday

(By "TINKER")

ANTICIPATIONS of some of the best tennis to date in the Colony Open tennis tournament were realised when H. D. Rumjahn met and defeated O. Umetani by 6-1, 6-2, in the Singles Championship quarter-finals yesterday on the Hongkong Cricket Club courts. It was a splendid duel of tactics, and seldom before had Rumjahn played a better game.

Where Umetani failed was in over-cautiousness. There was little wrong with his strokes, but he lost accuracy through his carefulness. Three incidents pointing to this were two quite "dolly" smashes and a volley at the net. With Rumjahn wide of position, Umetani twice hit the ball into the net, and the other point was lost over the sidelines.

He played well, however, and was a fighter to the finish. He worked for his openings, but at the critical moment made weak shots. Perhaps it was "nerves." Before the game commenced, I noticed his wiping his hands. Umetani played right into Rumjahn's hand with the type of game he played. Waiting for a player of Rumjahn's calibre to make mistakes is like waiting for rain in Hongkong—neither seldom come. In both sets the Japanese opened aggressively, and in both sets he won the first game, and it is difficult to understand why he abandoned aggressive tactics.

GREAT ACCURACY  
HOWEVER, Rumjahn, on form yesterday, was a man to whom it was no disgrace to lose. His accurate volleys, drives (cross-court and sideline) were astonishing, and came in for much applause. He imparted far more speed to his shots than his opponent, and with yesterday's accuracy, it was not surprising that Umetani did quite a bit of running from side to side of the court. It was quite a tense match—though the scores look easy enough—and both players' strokes were appreciated by the crowd. On several occasions Umetani only just failed to bring off winning volleys and drives, and on all he had the spectators' sympathy.

Rumjahn commenced serving, and after losing the first game, took the remaining six games in a row. Umetani showed a definite preference for his forehand, but in so positioning himself left quite a large space on the forehand court into which Rumjahn shot several winning volleys.

WAIT-AND-SEE  
UMETANI took the first game of the second set on his own service, but again relapsed into wait-and-see tactics, and Rumjahn ran into a 4-2 lead before the Japanese claimed his second and only other game in the set. In the seventh game, after deuce had been called twice on Umetani's service, he became over-careful again and lost the game by serving a double fault!

Rumjahn will now meet either his cousin, S.A., or J. W. Leonard, whose match has been postponed until next week.

## Army Beat Club In Triangular Tournament Game

IN THE SECOND GAME of the Navy-Army-Club Triangular Hockey Tournament, the Army beat the Club by 4-2 at King's Park yesterday. The Army interport players, Partaub Singh, Lt. Pritam Nath, Sha Wali and Stickleby were in fine form, and their play was mainly responsible for the victory.

W. Reed was the only man to show up in the Club line-up. Bates worked hard on the left wing, but selfishness robbed his work of its value.

Goalkeepers for the Army were Pritam Nath (2), Sha Wali and Partaub. Hitchcock scored both goals for the Club.

Y.M.C.A. Teams  
The following hockey teams will represent Y.M.C.A. to-day and Saturday in friendly fixtures: To-day—1st XI v. Recreation (1st ground, 4.15 p.m.); Denwell, Jordan and Yurist; 2nd XI v. Recreation (2nd ground, 4.15 p.m.); Denwell, Jordan and Yurist.

## GRAND NATIONAL ACCEPTANCES

### Amendments To List Of Probables

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Acceptances for the Grand National have been as follow:

Royal Mail, Royal Danelli, Professor II, Dunhill Castle, Rockquillo, Workman, Red Eagle, Dominick's Cross, Black Hawk, Kilstar, Away, Macmillan, Knight's Brook, Milano, Venturesome Knight, Symmetris, Lilligant, Le Cygne, Inversable, Boyo, Takvor Pacha, Bopscar, National Night, Red Freeman, Underhill, Gold Arrow, Bachelor Prince, Down-right, Second Act, Sterling Duke, Corn Law, Luxborough, Lazy Boots and Tuckmill.

### AMENDED PROBABLES

The following amendments have been made to the list of probables and jockeys:

Danny Organ will ride Milano, Mr. Loewenstein rides Bachelor Prince, Hyde, rides Sterling Duke.

The following have scratched:

The Uplifter, Workman, Timber Wolf, Hilthead Prince, John Chinaman, Prime, Cordie, Algridses, Chesterion, Bally Fox and Young Mischief.

## SCOTTISH CUP REPLAY

### Hearts And Airdrie Draw Again

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—In their replay in the Third Round of the Scottish Cup football competition, Hearts and Airdrie drew again, the score being 2-2.

Regional League matches were:

WESTERN  
Hamilton 4 Ayr 2  
Queen's O'ath 4 Motherwell 1  
Third Lanark 3 Dumbarton 2

EASTERN  
King's Park 4 St. Bernard's 1  
Stenmuir 2 Hibernian 1

But the absence of the playing members of the Colony side was very noticeable. However, the presence of a few ladies seemed an added attraction. It was altogether very pleasant and successful.

## Macao Take Revenge On Civilians' XI

### Courageous Front Carried Them Through

ON EASTER MONDAY, following their defeat in the interport game, Macao returned to their best form, and shook our Civilians at King's Park in such a way that most of the Colony supporters who had travelled all that way swallowed their disappointment, which was occasioned, perhaps, by the splendid showing of the Civilians in the earlier stages of the match.

Spectators might have been anticipating the defeat of the Portuguese lads, but they were soon thrilled by the fine display given. I, for one, was moved to enthusiastic appreciation when our visitors, after being led 2-0 early in the second half, rained attack after attack on the Civilians' defence and finally broke through to equalise.

Gradually they settled down after positional changes had been made, and gave their best, and once they had the Civilians' attack in check, took the lead. There was no real question as to the final result.

Both attacks started off at a great pace, and both defences threatened to collapse under the strain of continual pressure, but the goal-keepers, first Souza, and then Almada, rose to the occasion with magnificent clearances. During this period the close marking of the halves, particularly W. A. Reed and L. Costa, of their opposing forwards was excellent. The score sheet, however, was blank at half-time.

Immediately on resumption, the Civilians' forwards came into the picture, and W. A. Reed sent E. Fowler galloping away. Slipping several defenders en route, he cut inside to score from an acute angle with a high kick shot. A grand individual effort!

### FINE DEFENCE

THEIR halves and their backs, among whom R. Rosario and J. Ferreira continually caught the eye, were generally able to prevent the Civilians' attacks from progressing further than the half-way line. Macao went further ahead when Alex Almada again beat Souza with an easy goal, the latter mistiming his clearance. The collapse of the Civilians' backs, J. Goncalves and R. J. Reed, was the cause of the defeat, whilst Macao, on the other hand, were the quicker and more cohesive side, and seemed always to have something in hand. It was a well-earned victory for our visitors.

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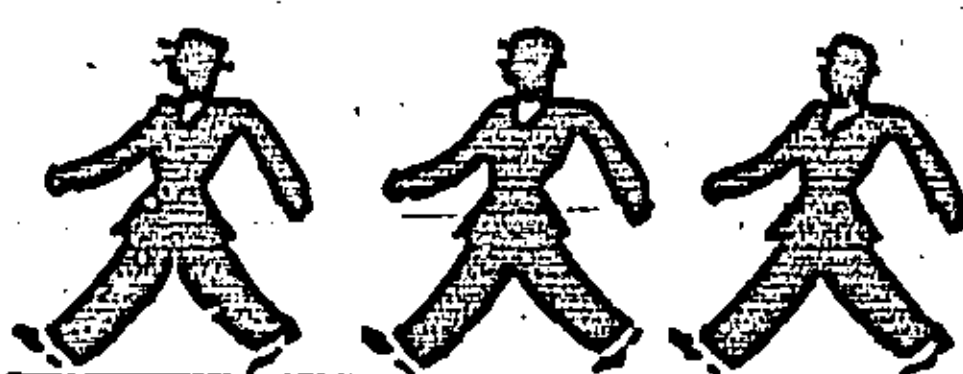
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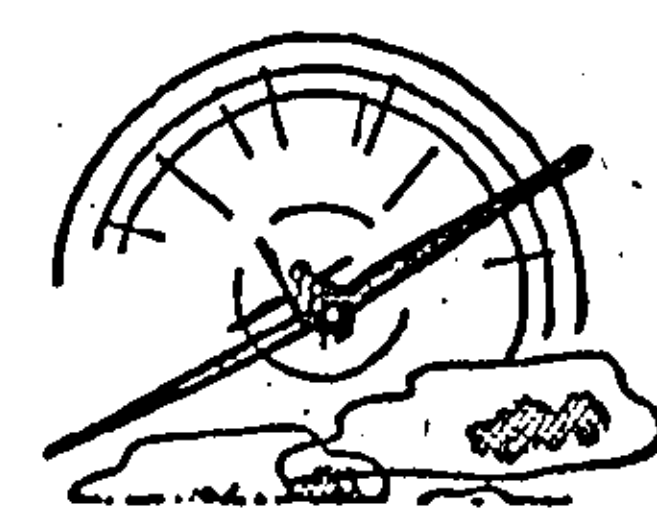
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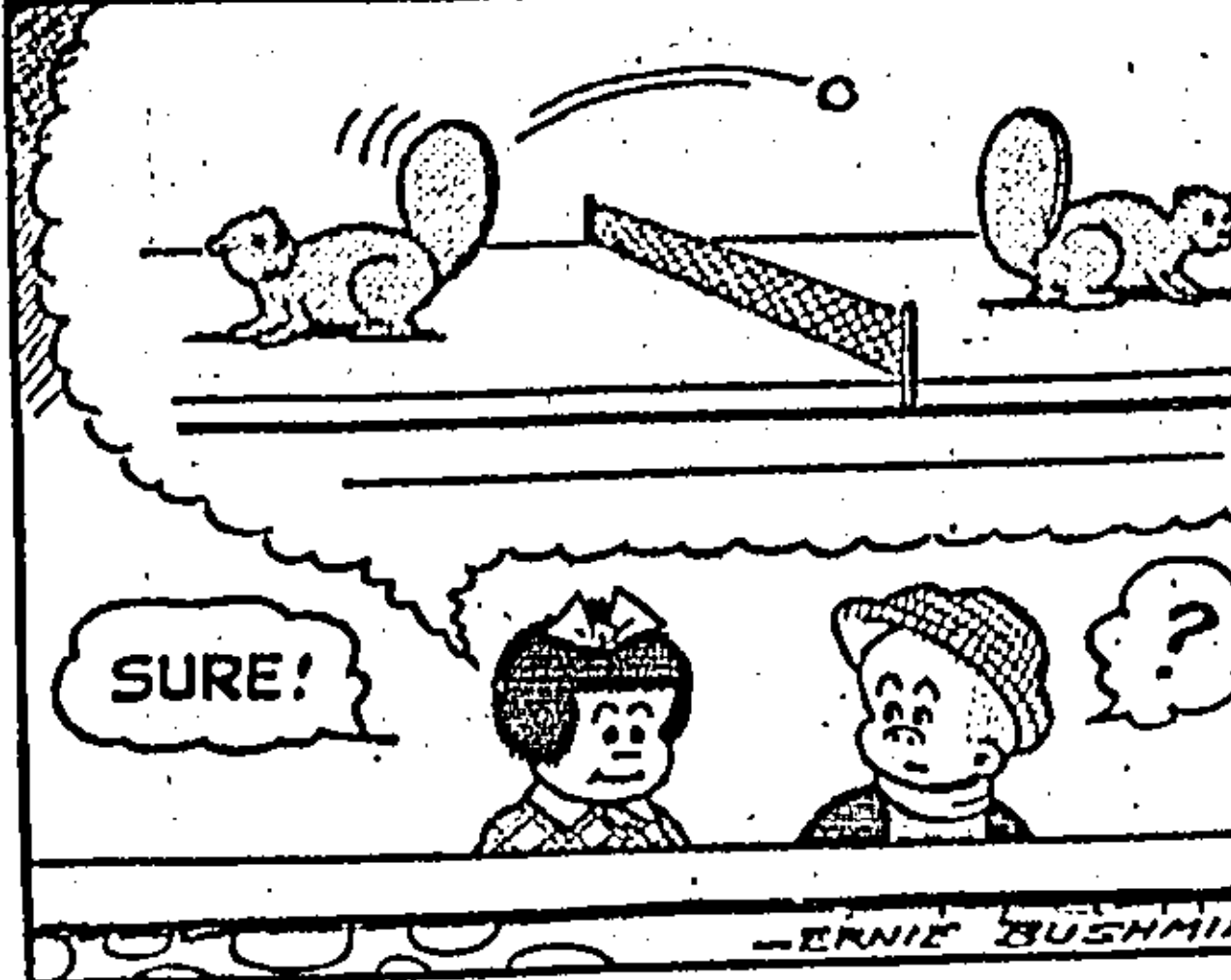
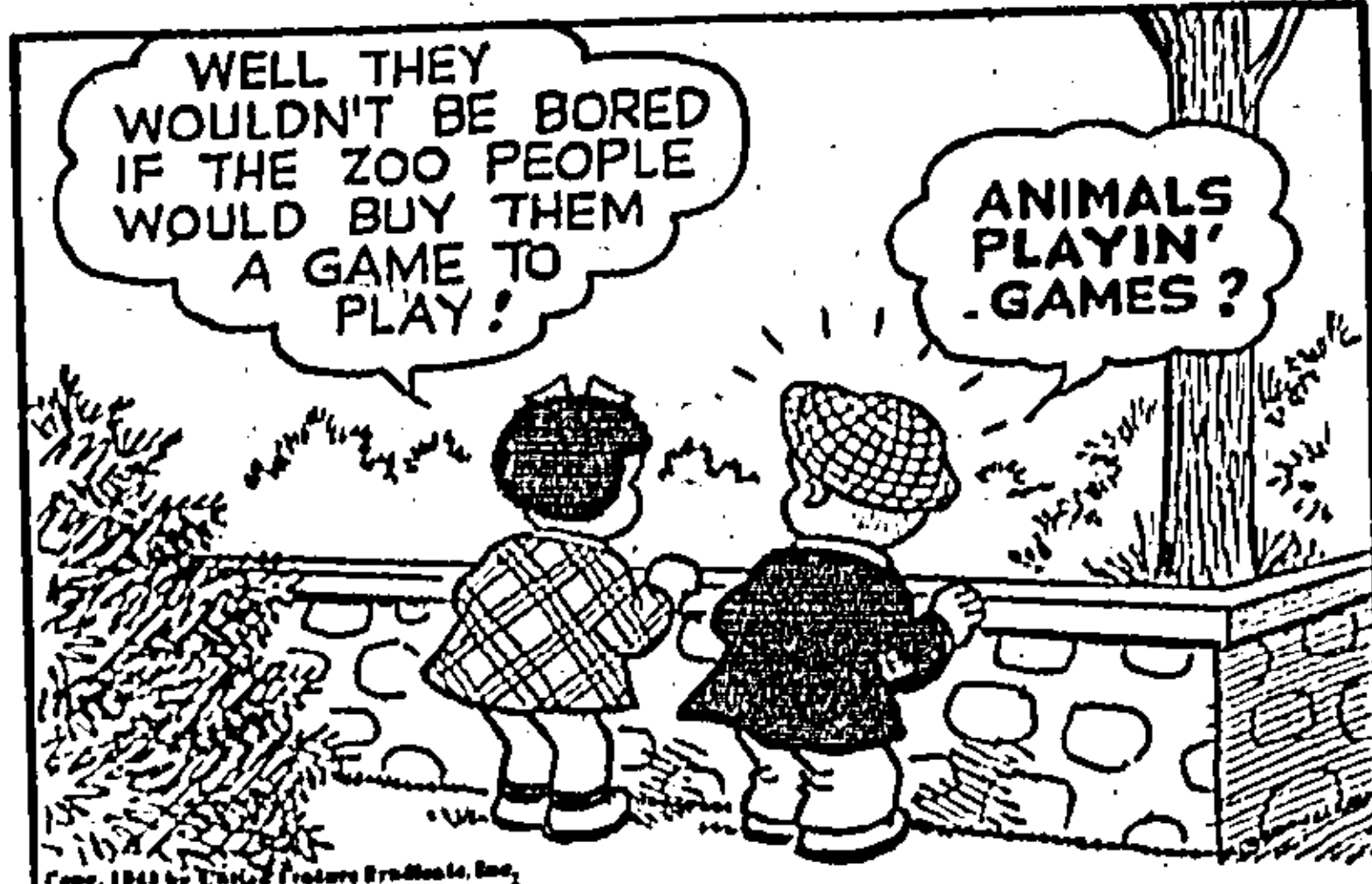
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## KOWLOON B.G.C. VOTE TO CONTINUE LEAGUE

Mr. K.C. Hamilton Elected President for 1940

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club was held yesterday. Mr. K. C. Hamilton (Vice-President) was in the chair in the absence of the President, Mr. T. E. Robson, who is in Singapore. Mr. Hamilton was supported by Mr. J. G. Meyer (Acting Hon. Secretary), Mr. G. E. F. Thompson (Hon. Treasurer), and Messrs. J. C. Brown, J. C. Gill, J. E. Henson, R. P. Phillips and C. E. Turpin (General Committee).

It was decided, on the proposal of Mr. B. Wylie, that the Club should enter teams in the Hongkong Lawn Bowls League this year as formerly. The proposal was made following discussion as to whether the Club should continue League bowls or play friendly matches only, as suggested by the Police Recreation Club at a meeting of the Lawn Bowls Association recently. The members voted unanimously that the Club should enter three teams in the League.

The annual meeting followed an extraordinary general meeting called for the purpose of passing special resolutions, that certain Articles of Association be altered, affecting the procedure, absent members' list and management. After slight amendment and the deletion of one of the proposed alternative Articles, the Chairman proposed the approval and adoption of the new Articles. This was seconded by Mr. A. E. E. Jeffries and carried. The report and accounts were adopted.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**  
The election of officers resulted: President, Mr. K. C. Hamilton; Vice-President, Mr. H. McKelvie; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. White; Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. A. Atkins; Bowls Convenor, Mr. R. P. Phillips; Bar Convenor, Mr. J. E. Henson; Grounds Convenor, Mr. W. L. Walker; General Committee—Messrs. E. V. Searle, L. Guy, B. Wylie, H. Bicknell and Mr. T. J. Robson (Past President). Ballotting Committee—Messrs. T. Armstrong, D. W. Waterton, W. Harrower, J. Fraser, S. C. Walker and R. Duncan.

Mr. C. E. Terry spoke on the question of the granting of an honorarium. He suggested that such a grant should be a spontaneous gesture on the part of members, and not included on the agenda.

**LENGTHENING GREEN**  
Mr. G. H. Sherriff suggested for the consideration of the incoming Committee that the present green be lengthened. This could be achieved through the conversion of the present hard tennis courts.

The Chairman agreed there was much to be said for and against such a suggestion, but admitted that with the increasing number of lawn bowls players, they were cramped for room. He invited the views of members on the subject.

Mr. Wylie remarked that the International Bowling Board in England had laid down that a green should be at least 105 feet in length. On the question of honorarium, he was in favour of its abolition from the agenda. He had known one Hon. Secretary who had declined to accept an honorarium. There was a lot of work attached to the jobs of those who received honorarium, he agreed, but it would look better if it were left out of the agenda in the future.

Mr. A. Morton, referring to the conversion of the tennis courts, suggested they be left as they were.

**BYE-LAW AMENDMENT**  
An amendment to a bye-law of the Club in regard to tennis, proposed by Mr. Terry, was carried. He proposed

## BRITAIN'S NEW £1 NOTES

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Bank of England announces that in accordance with the arrangements made early in 1939, a new type of pound and ten shilling notes will be issued shortly.

There consequently will be two types of these notes in circulation for a time. Both will be legal tender.

The new types of notes will be of the same size and design as the present type but printed, except for the numbering, in different colours.

## Tributes To Mr. Savage

### Funeral Services In London On Monday

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The funeral services for Mr. M. J. Savage, the late Premier of New Zealand, will take place on Sunday.

The news of his death has been received everywhere with deep regret and messages of condolence have been sent from all parts of the English speaking world.

One message was received from General Smuts, the Prime Minister of South Africa.

**Newspapers' Tributes**  
In a leading article to-day the "Daily Telegraph" regrets that Mr. Savage will not be able to play a part in the Imperial discussions which must come in the future.

He might have had a great part to play.

He has already forged the spearhead of New Zealand's effort, says the "Daily Telegraph," and determined her policy in one of the most decisive hours for her future. Commenting on his social reform work, the "Manchester Guardian" says that Mr. Savage was a true statesman which is in many ways conservative, to take steps in social reform and set an example for the democracies.

His name will have its place among those of the most sincere social reformers that the British democracies have ever produced.

## Police Fire On Calcutta Mob

### 15,000 Scavengers Go On Strike

CALCUTTA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—For the first time for ten years, the Police opened fire in Calcutta to-day when a Police picket was attacked by a gang of municipal scavengers, who had been on strike yesterday.

After the Police had fired four rounds, 18 of the strikers were arrested.

About 15,000 scavengers are on strike demanding a 25 per cent. increase in wages.

Efforts to extend the strike to other municipal services were checked by the arrest of seven leaders.

## STOCK EXCHANGE EASES

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was very quiet, prices in most groups tending to ease apart from Railways which were supported by local, together with Cape, buying.

Home rails continued yesterday's advance. The new war loan closed at 5/10 discount. Wall Street was firm.

## MR. WELLES DUE HOME TO-DAY

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The White House announced to-day that Mr. Sumner Welles will arrive in New York about noon to-morrow. He is expected to report to President Roosevelt immediately.

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Royal Albert Hall to be re-opened but will conform with police regulations in that the accommodation will be limited to 5,000 people instead of the normal 7,000.

## Annual Rifle Meeting Attracts Large Crowd To Kowloon City

THE FIFTH ANNUAL PRIZE meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association which incorporates the Services Meeting, opened yesterday at Kowloon City in brilliant weather and large crowds made their way to the ranges.

Over 230 competitors fired in the rapid and snap shooting events and it says much for the organisation and work of the supervising officers, that in spite of the increase in the number of competitors this year, the events were finished in time on both ranges.

Preliminary heats of the Felling Plate Match occupied the remainder of the morning on "A" range and enthusiasts were able to obtain half an hour's practice on "B" range.

The revolver range was well patronised, 182 pool tickets being sold and 21 competitors entered for the Services Revolver Championships.

### PROGRAMME TO-DAY

Firing commences to-day on both ranges at 9 a.m. and at 9.30 a.m., the Deliberate Competition will be held. At 11.30 a.m., the final of the Felling Plate Match will be decided. The Plate Match, for which there are 16 entries from various regiments in the Colony, will begin at 2 p.m., as will also the Services Revolver Team Match. The Services' Clay Bird Shooting will take place to-day between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

### RESULTS

Full results of yesterday's shooting were:

### RAPID FIRING COMPETITION

#### CLASS "X"

Lt. Nunn, R.E. 22; Sgt. G. E. Breeze, R.N.R.S. 22; Sgt. Bremner, 2/R.S. 19; Cor. R.N.R.S. 18; Sgt. H. P. 19; Pte. R. Jeffery, R.N.R.S. 18; Sgt. Hushman, R.N.R.S. 18; Pte. 17; Pte. Mackenzie, 1/Seaforth's 17; Capt. MacGraw, 1/Seaforth's 17; Pte. Scott, 2/R.S. 17; Cpl. Gullan, 1/Seaforth's 17; Sgt. Mayne, 1/Seaforth's 16; Pte. 16; L/c. 16; Pte. 16; Sgt. Green, 2/R.S. 16; Pte. 16; Sgt. 16; Pte. 16; R.N.R.S. 16.

### RAPID FIRE CLASS "M"

Cpl. Berry, R.A.F. 14; Pte. Gordon W. 2/R.S. 12; Cpl. Gash, R.A.F. 12.

### SNAPSHOOTING COMPETITION

#### CLASS "X"

Sgt. Whipp, 2/R.S. 22; R.S.M. MacKenzie, 2/R.S. 19; Pte. 18; Mr. N. V. Whyte, D.R.C. 18; Cpl. Hitchcock, 2/R.S. 18; Sgt. Mayne, 1/Seaforth's 16; Pte. 16; L/c. 16; Pte. 16; Sgt. Green, 2/R.S. 16; Pte. 16; Sgt. 16; Pte. 16; R.N.R.S. 16.

## Correspondents, Please Note

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Postmaster General has given notice that all correspondence with persons who are members of crews on board all ships, save those under charter to the Government, must be addressed to the care of the owners or agents and not care of the General Post Office.

## Altmark Leaves For Kiel

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Nazi hell-ship Altmark of H.M.S. Cossack rescue fame was reported yesterday to have left the Danish island of Langeland which is about 50 miles from Kiel.

## Filipino Club Annual Meeting

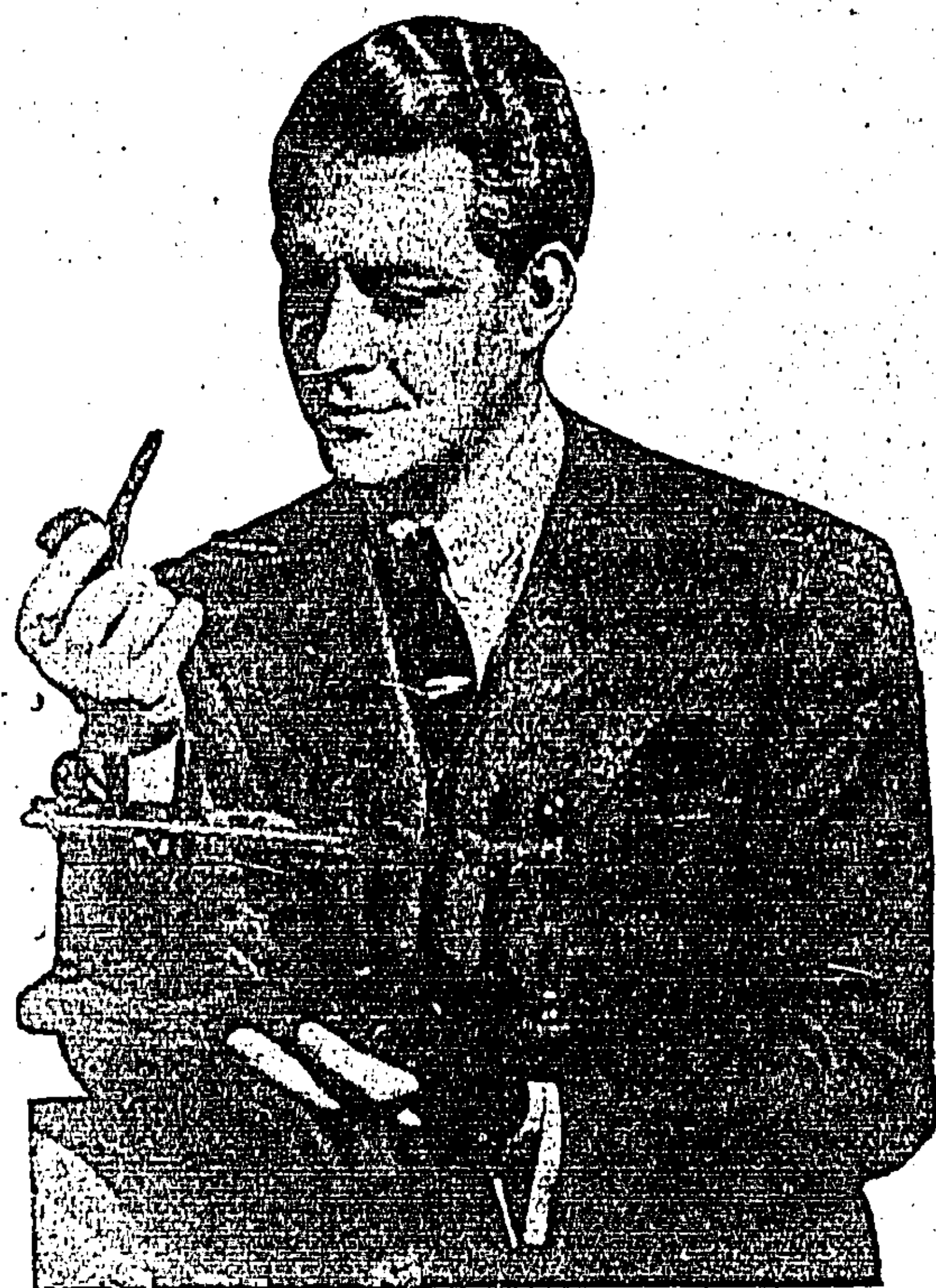
The Annual meeting of the Filipino Club, King's Park, will be held in the Clubhouse on Sunday, March 31, at 3.30 p.m.

## Survivors Landed

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Forty-two survivors, including three women and two children, from the Norwegian steamer, Cometa, 3,704 tons, were landed at a Scottish port after the ship had been sunk.

## SWISS GIFTS TO FINLAND

ZURICH, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—According to the Swiss press, Switzerland's gifts to Finland so far amount to £280,000.



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Outside a blockhouse of the Maginot Line. The birds in the cage are more than pets. They act as gas detectors. If gas is used, they will be the first victims. But the men will have been warned.

## Goebbels' Propaganda Plan For Increased Rations Abandoned

ZURICH.

GERMAN rations cannot be increased as the Government had intended, according to an unimpeachable source in Berlin.

At the outbreak of war the rations were fixed at the lowest possible rates, not only because of the urgent necessity for saving, but also as propaganda.

### Inside Germany

## Hotel Meal Costs 30s. In B-r-r-rlin

HOTELS without warmth because of acute coal shortage, and meals at 30s. a head—these are among conditions revealed in letters recently received from Germany.

From one, sent by a neutral resident, it appears that the weather is still bitterly cold and hot water is rationed.

"There is no heat in most apartment houses and hotels, and no water," writes this neutral. "My hotel, one of the best in Berlin, has hot or rather warmish water from 6 to 11 a.m. and a little heat if you are not too particular and keep your hat and coat on."

"At a few places where you can eat anywhere near the style to which you are accustomed, a meal costs from £1 to 30s. at the ordinary rate of exchange. There is no whisky, and beer is 1 per cent. alcohol."

An exhibition named "Warmonger England," opened in Hanover, shows exhibits from the last war, "effects of the hunger blockade, espionage methods and atrocity propaganda." Pictures show "the effects of the Treaty of Versailles" and British war aims and activities of our "secret service" are depicted. Trophies of this war shown include the wreckage of a British plane said to have been shot down last October.

CAIRO, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The combined manoeuvres of British, Egyptian and Indian troops began today in the desert south of Cairo.

It was Goebbels' suggestion that the fixed rations should be low enough to allow an increase within a certain time, giving him an opportunity to start a propaganda campaign to demonstrate the growing success of the counter-measures against the British blockade.

### Frost Damaged Stores

A recent meeting of the Nazi Ministry of Food learned that the provision of butter, fats, margarine and oils was becoming increasingly difficult. Although the consumption had been reduced to a minimum, only 50 per cent. of this amount was covered by home produce.

The production of margarine was decreasing because of the blockade, which, as it was openly confirmed in this meeting, had put an end to the German whale shipping trade.

Shortage of unrationed products such as potatoes, fruit, vegetables is causing further complications. As investigation into all storages proved damage by cold and frost estimated at several million marks.

## Recruits In Africa

London, Mar. 27. It is announced in London that recruiting in South Africa after six months of war has not slackened.

The Botha regiment, named after the Union's first Prime Minister, has brought two battalions up to war strength since September and a third battalion is being formed.

The Imperial Light Horse, one of the most popular Johannesburg regiments, also had a start with a third battalion.

The 8,000 South Africans actually serving with His Majesty's forces are divided fairly equally between the Navy, Army and Air Force.—Reuter.

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## HEROISM OF THE SEA

Malta, Mar. 27.

A wonderful piece of seamanship which enabled a small Maltese sailing ship to rescue six sailors from a wrecked British airliner in December was commemorated to-day by the presentation by the Governor, General Sir Charles Mordaunt-Carter, of a gold watch to Captain Romand, Italian master of the ship Giuseppe Padre.

## EUROPEAN INJURED

With his fingers crushed, Mr. Jac Henry Bjerkman, a Norwegian, 23, of the motor ship Canton was taken to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday by Mr. Paul Wikborg of the same vessel. He was detained and his condition was reported to be good. Mr. Bjerkman sustained the injuries when he was cut by a wheel on his ship about 1 p.m.

The rescue occurred in darkness on a stormy sea off Sicily and has been described as the achievement of an almost impossible act.—Reuter.

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**INWARD MAILS**  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date, 28th March  
Canton ..... Mar. 28.  
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Calcutta, Straits and Saigon ..... Mar. 30.  
Japan ..... Mar. 30.  
Manila ..... Mar. 30.  
Sandakan ..... Mar. 30.

**OUTWARD MAILS**  
Thursday, Mar. 28  
Sandakan ..... 12.30 p.m.  
Fort Bayard and Haiphong ..... 1.00 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Amoy ..... 7.00 p.m.  
Manila ..... 7.00 p.m.  
Friday, Mar. 29  
Fort Bayard and Haiphong ..... 1.30 p.m.  
Bangkok ..... 1.30 p.m.  
Amoy ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Shanghai and Peking only via Tientsin ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Shanghai, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America (No parcels for Canada only) via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 10th April.  
G. F. O. and K. P. O.  
Port ..... Mar. 29, 6.00 p.m.  
Rangoon ..... Mar. 29, 6.00 p.m.  
Ordnance ..... Mar. 30, 6.00 a.m.  
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 28th April  
K.P.O.  
Reg. ..... 5 p.m.  
Ord. ..... 5.30 p.m.  
G.F.O.  
Reg. ..... 5 p.m.  
Ord. ..... 5.30 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... 7.00 p.m.  
Saturday, Mar. 30  
Touane, Saigon and Bangkok ..... 8.30 a.m.  
Haiphong ..... 2 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Parcels only for Tientsin ..... 2.30 p.m.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

### HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB Notice

The Annual Dinner and Dance will be held in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel on Saturday, 30th MARCH, 1940, at 7.30 p.m.

E. L. STRANGE,  
Hon. Secretary.

### GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-first Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the office of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 3rd day of April, 1940, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21st MARCH, 1940, to WEDNESDAY, the 3rd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
R. TAYLOR,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, 4th March, 1940.

### THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

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General Managers,  
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the 29TH MARCH, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1939.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 21ST MARCH, 1940, to FRIDAY, the 29TH MARCH, 1940, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

## HEALTH BULLETIN

83 Deaths Last Week From T.B.

One case of Small-pox, two of Diphtheria, five of Typhoid, four of Meningitis, 12 of Dysentery and 53 of Tuberculosis were reported on Tuesday.

During the week ended on Saturday, eight cases of Small-pox with eight deaths, 12 of Diphtheria with three deaths (one imported), two of Scarlet Fever, 11 of Typhoid with three deaths, eight of Measles, nine of Chicken-pox, 11 of Meningitis with four deaths, 10 of Dysentery with 10 deaths and 134 of Tuberculosis with 83 deaths were also reported.

#### Foreign Report

The Health bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ended March 10 shows the following cases of infectious diseases:

Flague—Basseln one death, Rangoon one case, Calcutta 59 cases, Small-pox—Allahabad, Karachi, Madras and Shanghai one case each, Delhi and Sabang four cases each, Cawnpore 23 cases, Jodhpur nine deaths, Forbader 24 cases, Bombay 47 cases, Calcutta 71 cases, Cochins seven cases, Rangoon 39 cases, Macao 17 cases, Hongkong 12 cases.

# It's a Grand Life, say 20's in France

## C.O. Says "They're Fine"

By PAUL BEWSHER

Daily Mail Special Correspondent with the B.E.F.  
TO-DAY, quite by chance, I ran into a group of the "20's" who were among the first batch enrolled when the militia scheme was set in motion last July. They were not here in any special class, but formed a company of an infantry battalion, comprising a part of the British Expeditionary Force—and ready to go into action if need be.

Smart and alert, nothing distinguished these lads in battle dress from the other soldiers, save perhaps their extreme youth. Officers and N.C.O.s alike spoke highly of their discipline and good spirits.

"They are first-class, and have settled down very well," their commanding officer told me.

These young men, vanguard of a vast citizen army which may one day be far larger than the Regular and Territorial Armies combined, were being very well looked after by officers who were evidently anxious for their welfare. This was demonstrated by a happy battalion.

"The Food's Good"  
I found them in a small village of snow-covered brick houses, inconspicuous amid the glittering white fields near one section of the British front.

The discovery came as a surprise to me. I had called at the headquarters of a Territorial battalion of the Gloucester Regiment, and the colonel said: "Like to see some of our militia?"

"Well, you'll soon see one," he went on, chuckling. "Sergeant, call the butcher over here."

A private, busy in an out-house kitchen, stepped up and saluted smartly.

"Yes, sir. I'm a Militiaman—or I was. We're all the same now," he said.

"Reginald Berry's my name. My home is at King's Stanley, near Stroud, in Gloucestershire. I'm a butcher in civilian life, too. I was called up in July with the first lot, and will be 22 next July. I love the life, and the food's good."

Pte. Berry was the first Militiaman I had met in France. But there were plenty more. We walked through the snow to a large barn filled with men eating their midday meal of stew. Here was a whole company of men almost entirely Militiamen.

A throng of young men in battle-dress, mostly with the ruddy cheeks of the West-countryman, gathered round.

Donald Hawkins, a 21-years-old bus conductor, of Bristol, was the first I spoke to. With him was Jack Baldwin, a 21-years-old worker in the Cannock Collieries in the Forest of Dean.

"We call it the Forest of Dean Company," Captain N. E. Hind, of Huntley, near Ross-on-Wye, told me. "There are quite a number of men from the Forest. They are first class."

This was a high tribute, for Captain Hind served in the last war in the Irish Rifles, and was badly wounded.

"Don't forget London," one man called out. He proved to be an ace Corporal Percy Sennet, of Kenton, near Harrow, who was a charge hand in a dairy when the Militia turned him into a soldier.

These young men had left all kinds of work to become part of the citizen army. One of the youngest was Cecil Hodges, a paper-mill worker from Taunton.

**A Remarkable Man**  
Although they were sleeping on the earth floor of a barn with the temperature far below freezing point outside, they seemed extraordinarily cheerful.

"There's a lot of us, and it helps to keep us warm," one of them said. Many of them praised the food, which they said was better and more ample than they had in England.

This battalion must be one of the most extraordinary in the whole B.E.F., for several men who have belonged to the Territorials for over 20 years.

Company Quartermaster-Sergeant George Wiltshire, of Chequers-road, Gloucester, an engineer at a public institution in private life, joined the battalion in 1916, and fought in the battle of the Somme.

Sergeant-Major S. J. Wilcox joined in 1913, and has been with the battalion ever since, doing training every year since the last war, in which he was wounded twice.

But the most remarkable man there was Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant V. G. Smith. He joined the battalion in 1909, when he was working as a clerk in the goods office at Gloucester Station. He served through the last war, was badly wounded at Passchendaele, and was awarded the D.C.M. for leading an attack.

### Nazis Seek Food Pill

GOERING, Germany's economic dictator, is seeking to beat the British blockade by pills—food pills.

A Danish chemist recently back from I. G. Farben, Germany's biggest chemical works, said that research chemists have been ordered to produce the H. G. Wells pill which is to take the place of meat, butter, eggs and vegetables in the Nazi diet.

## STANDARD SUITS NO, BUT—

### MEN WILL HAVE FEWER CLOTHES

AFTER all, it seems that men's suits are not to be standardised.

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, said that standardisation would be the "worst possible thing."

Wearing a perfectly tailored suit, old Etonian and starched white collar, he had gone to lunch with the Men's Wear Council.

He heard the Council's views from its chairman, Mr. A. W. Robbins, who said:

"While willing to support the Government to the hilt, and to submit a considerable degree of individuality in helping the war along, we would warn against a policy of standardisation for our industry."

**Exports Vital**  
Mr. Hudson was there to tell the tailors and manufacturers of men's wear to do their utmost to stimulate our exports.

He said that the Government would like to see exports surpass those of 1920, the boom year.

Then they were worth £25,000,000 to us. Last year, they were about £10,000,000.

And he added significantly:—"In view of the overwhelming need for overseas trade, a great deal of home trade will inevitably have to be sacrificed."

That means that you and I will be asked to cut down our purchases of clothes.

The purpose of the lunch was to announce the Council's publicity and propaganda campaign to sell British men's wear abroad.

## BOMB ON SCHOOL

### Children Were

#### At Prayers

SIX HUNDRED boys and girls at morning prayers in a Lincoln school heard the drone of an aeroplane—then a bang, and the crash of falling tiles and masonry.

An R.A.F. bomber had accidentally dropped a practice smoke-bomb on the roof of Monks-road council school.

Teachers marshalled the children and marched them into the corridors.

Then it was found that little damage had been done.

The bomb had hit a dividing wall in the roof and lodged there.

It produced a lot of smoke, but no fire, and the city fire brigade arrived within a few minutes and put out the bomb with chemicals.

Miss Heath, headmistress of the infants department, said that, to avoid a scare, she told the children a water-pipe had burst.

The children filed out without panic.

Half an hour afterwards they were back at their lessons.

## MADE POOR BY LEGACY

GEORGE GREEN, a 54-year-old Upwell, Norfolk, farm-worker and his wife Ann, who is two years older, looked after an invalid, John Hill.

When the invalid died, the Greens inherited his estate, which was worth £203.

But a relative claimed £40, which he said he had lent Hill, and a court action was decided in his favour.

The costs were £110, the sale of the property cost £23, medical and funeral expenses were £53. Receiving orders were made against both Mr. and Mrs. Green.

Adjourning Mr. Green's case in King's Lynn bankruptcy court, the registrar said:

"It is an instance of a small sum being swallowed up by enormous law costs."

## In 1,300 Years This Is All That Happened—



# NOW £7,000 CASE COMES TO TOWN

MALMESBURY, Wiltshire.

THIRTEEN HUNDRED years is a long time to wait for fame. Malmesbury, winding grey-walled, tiny English country town, has been dreaming placidly on its Cotswold hillside since 640 A.D. At last, in 1940, it has got into the newspapers.

In the 1,300 intervening years it has known three other local sensations.

The first was when, in the 12th century, an adventurous young monk named Elmer lifted wings to his hands and his feet and leapt boldly from the top of the abbey tower.

He flew 220 yards, the legend insists, before gravity prevailed and he fell to the ground, breaking both his legs.

Then there was the sad incident of the Duke of Clarence who, you will remember from your history books, was drowned at the Tower of London in a butt of malmsey wine in 1478.

Seven years earlier he had seized the great estates, including those in Wiltshire, of Warwick the King Maker, when he died.

Thirdly, there was the case of Miss Hannah Wynnoy who, in 1703, at the age of 33, was eaten by a tiger, which escaped from a circus visiting Malmesbury.

**"Tiger Fierce"**  
Her tragedy is poignantly commemorated on a tombstone in the graveyard of Malmesbury Abbey:

In the bloom of Life  
She was snatched from hence  
She had not room  
To make defence  
For Tiger fierce  
Took her life away  
And here she lies  
In bed of Clay

Until the Resurrection Day.  
But Malmesbury never got into the papers until January 1, 1940, when suddenly it became the centre of a huge prosecution for alleged fraud, involving £10,000.

Witnesses, 1,500 exhibits, and all the bustling activity of a large-scale court case.

**Making History**  
And every day since, apart from Sundays and a short adjournment caused by illness, the town hall's council chamber—which also serves as a Badminton court, dance floor, concert room and theatre auditorium—has been occupied by proceedings which, after six weeks, seem likely to go on for at least another two.

What a break for Malmesbury folk, you might think.

New faces, money being spent in the town by visiting witnesses, solicitors and onlookers, history being made under their noses in a police court which, hitherto, has had to deal with the mildest and most moderate of rural vices.

But Malmesbury thinks otherwise. It is not merely bored but thoroughly disgruntled. Nearly everybody concerned in the case does not return till next day.

Said the landlord of the George, Mr. Philip McClellan:

"Who will have to pay for this case, for the witnesses brought from Manchester, Leeds and Birmingham, for the transport of the prisoners daily from Bristol? Why, us rate-payers."

**"Won't Pay Rates"**  
"This case will cost £7,000 before it is over. True, 17 of the prisoners have lunch here every day under police escort. But what I charge for their meals will go back on the rates!"

In the kitchen was cook, Mrs. Rhoda Fry.

"I shan't be sorry when this is all over," she said, as she dished up 34 fried eggs, then hurried across the room to put 34 lumps of sugar in 17 saucers.

"Still I must say," she added, "some of the prisoners are very good. They come out to the kitchen and help me carry their meal into the dining room."

During the luncheon adjournment the prisoners, escorted by policemen, are allowed to go shopping in Malmesbury.

**A Rose By Any Other Name—**

New York.—Judges in a solemn competition held in New York to discover a new name for mothers-in-law, which would avoid "unpleasant connotations at present associated with the word," finally chose Kin-mother.

Among several hundred suggestions they turned down were:

Blitzkrieg Mother, Erant Mother, Lawma, Motherlink, and Motherkind.

The audience, in which mothers-in-law predominated, received coldly the suggestion Mother Rat, submitted by an embittered male competitor.



MINES have been found washed ashore in Belgium bearing girls' names.

No, it is not a sinister love plot by Hitler. Just a French sailor's custom of writing the name of sweetheart or wife on a mine before laying it.

## (Last) War wound kills man

Ex-soldier Arthur Howard Paget, of St. Paul's-road, Clifton, near Bristol, was hit by a German bullet while fighting in 1916. He was then twenty-four. Afterwards he had fourteen operations. Now he has died at Rookwood Military Pensions Hospital, Cardiff.

At the Cardiff inquest the verdict was that death was due to kidney trouble following the gunshot wound.

## Sarah Must Stay Married

MRS. SARAH PALFREY FAYAN, the United States Wightman Cup tennis player, was, at Salem, Massachusetts, refused a divorce from her husband.

The judge ruled that her cruelty allegation had not been sustained (says Reuter). Mrs. Fayan, who is 27, married Mr. Marshall Fayan in 1934.

She is a familiar figure at Wimbledon. Last year, with Miss Alice Marble, she won the ladies' doubles.

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## ENTERTAINMENTS

### THEY'RE SWINGING "BOOMPS A DAISY"

"BOOMPS A DAISY" in Swing Time!  
That is the latest novelty introduced to Hongkong by the Hartnells, Prince and Princess of Swing who are appearing nightly in the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

The old "Booms" which was introduced here by Dave Harvey, has already swept the Colony.

All the steps are done to swing-time. Two "clap hands" instead of one, two "knees", a boom, a semi-polka waltz and the bow complete the first movement. The old waltz is replaced by the "boom", and the dance is completed.

There is very little difference, actually, to the old-style "Booms A Daisy", but that difference peeps up the dance to an extraordinary degree. It has to be seen—and, more important, to be danced—to be appreciated.

During this week, the Hartnells are demonstrating both the swing "Booms A Daisy" and "Knees Up, Mother Brown", the novelty dance which they introduced last week.

I have just been reading the latest papers from home about the way in which "Knees Up, Mother Brown" is sweeping the country. It was introduced in London on December 12, so Hongkong is well up-to-date.

You'll recall that the dance was pictorially illustrated on this page last Wednesday.

Fredric and Sandra Hartnell give four numbers at the Gripps this week in addition to the demonstrations of the two novelty numbers which, incidentally, have proved

## WHAT'S ON

QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA:  
"The Empress Dowager"  
(Chinese film).  
KING'S: "Hell's Kitchen."  
MAJESTIC: "Hell Divers."  
ORIENTAL: "Hawaiian Nights."

so popular that there has been no hesitation on the part of spectators in joining in.

They announce a change of programme for Saturday night, when the Management of the Hongkong Hotel announces a 2 p.m. gala.

The highly successful season of the Hartnells is drawing to a close at the Gripps.

Usually, the Hongkong dance season also draws to a close somewhere around about the end of March.

But I have some good news for patrons of the Gripps.

Dave Harvey and the Dyer Sisters, one of the most successful teams to visit this Colony, are returning for another short season which will commence on Saturday, April 6.

Since leaving Hongkong, they have played a prolonged season in Manila.

Harvey planned to return to India after completing a few weeks in Manila.

But he has been as popular in the Philippines capital as he was in Hongkong and has extended his season to such an extent that plans have had to be altered.

The management of the Hongkong Hotel have received many

enquiries regarding this popular team, and have been able to arrange for them to play a return season in Hongkong before leaving the East.

THE BRITISH War Organisation Fund should benefit materially from the A.D.C.'s production of "Tony Draws a Horse", which opens at the China Fleet Club Theatre for a four-night season on Wednesday next week.

The cast includes Sunny Holo, Claude Burgess, Sheila Mackinlay, James Whitlam, Beryl Fair, J. Roberts, Sam Pringle, Auguste Hoffmeister, Olive Green, Andrew Mackinlay, Anne Dowling, Gelsion Gilmore, Peggy Chubb and Amedee de Boysson.

"Tony Draws a Horse" is still running in London at the Comedy Theatre, where it opened over six months ago. The play is by Lesley Storm.

Incidentally, Hongkong's A.D.C. shortly celebrates its centenary—in four years time, to be exact. It was formed three years after Hongkong became a British Colony.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"We must first be sure what we feel is really love, Elwyn—not merely a deficiency of hormones A to D."

## MOTORING

### LEARN TO DRIVE



RIGHT

The golden rule is to sit naturally erect with the lower part of the back firmly supported and the seat so adjusted that both clutch and brake pedals can be fully depressed without loss of body leverage at the hips. Hold the steering wheel firmly with both hands just below the centre, keeping the wrists supple and the hands ready on the instant to grip firmly in emergency.



WRONG

Never slump back in the seat. It limits the range of vision and slows down physical responses to road conditions. Control by two or three fingers of one hand on the wheel is inadequate at any time. Be comfortable, but alert.



WRONG

The top-and-bottom grip limits steering control and should never be adopted. This driver could not make a right-hand turn without altering the position of both hands.

## Spotting the Rank



### MIDSHIPMAN

A Midshipman is not a commissioned officer, but an officer under training, and is officially classed as a "subordinate officer."

Both Midshipmen and Naval Cadets wear buttons instead of stripes on their cuffs. They are distinguished from each other by the white patches officially known as "turnbacks," worn by Midshipmen on the coat lapels.

Unkind (and doubtless untrue) tradition has it that the buttons were placed on the cuffs to prevent these youthful officers from using a cuff in lieu of a handkerchief! Probably the same tradition is the origin of the nickname "Snotty," by which the Midshipman is universally known afloat.

Midshipmen are carried only in big ships, though it is customary to "load" them for two or three months at a time to do destroyers in order that they may gain useful experience in this class of vessel.

Actually the term "Midshipman" dates from Elizabethan times, but it was then applied to a certain type of rating whose station in action was amidships.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- Greenland settlement (10 letters)
- Exposed to public (6 letters)
- Trapped (6 letters)
- Is in D scale (6 letters)
- Jealous (6 letters)
- Girl's name (6 letters)
- Animal (6 letters)
- Job (6 letters)
- Chairman (6 letters)
- Unit of land (6 letters)
- Challenge (6 letters)
- Of French (6 letters)
- Insignia of honor (6 letters)
- With colored bands (6 letters)
- At any time (6 letters)
- Scattered (6 letters)
- Illegally bodies (6 letters)
- Otherwise (6 letters)
- Opening teams (6 letters)
- Walk (6 letters)
- Top of thigh (6 letters)
- Apparels (6 letters)
- Unclose (6 letters)
- Completes (6 letters)
- Standing (6 letters)
- Printer's measure (6 letters)
- Mark with acute (6 letters)
- Lasso (6 letters)

DOWN

- Constellation (6 letters)
- Hope fiber (6 letters)
- Rede (6 letters)
- Recess (6 letters)
- Occupied with (6 letters)
- Unlured (6 letters)
- God of love (6 letters)
- Make fun of (6 letters)
- Used to be true (6 letters)
- Living day (6 letters)
- Indicates (6 letters)
- Watering places (6 letters)
- Club officer (6 letters)
- Withers (6 letters)
- Roof edges (6 letters)
- Mud deposits (6 letters)
- Kind of machine-gun (6 letters)
- Great philosopher (6 letters)
- Blue back (6 letters)
- Deceives (6 letters)
- Reverent (6 letters)
- Day again (6 letters)
- Displeased (6 letters)
- Small dog (6 letters)
- Annoyance (6 letters)
- Mark of wound (6 letters)
- Observed (6 letters)
- Attempt (6 letters)
- Exit (6 letters)
- Lives (6 letters)

## Beating the Censor...

LETTERS coming out of Germany are supposed to be strictly censored. Most of them are, but important items of news still trickle through to the outside world, the writers often using the simplest devices to fool the censor.

Here are a few typical and genuine examples:

When Hitler upset thousands of Baltic Germans by ordering them to return to the Reich, some of them invented ingenious devices to cheat the Nazi censor.

One of the repatriated Balts, for instance, extremely unhappy in his new German home, wrote to his brother in Riga, Latvia:—

"Everything is very nice here, but I suggest you postpone your departure for Germany until after Jan's wedding."

Jan, the girl referred to in this letter, was only two years old.

Another repatriated Balt tried a similar method to convey to friends at home the true state of things in Nazi Germany. He wrote:—

"We have not seen" but old friend Mr. Sviestas since we arrived."

Sviestas is the Latvian word for

butter. But the German censor did not know that.

British newspaper correspondents some time ago tried to get through to their newspapers the news that one of the Nazi leaders was seriously ill:—

"He has been visited by six Harley-street men," they wired to London. The Nazi censor, who was anxious not to let anything leak out about this illness, passed the message. He did not know enough about London to understand what "Harley-street" stands for in England.

Last year Jewish families in Germany were constantly writing to friends abroad: "My poor husband (or son, or brother) has had to go on holiday."

It took us a long time to find out why the holiday-makers were so unhappy. In the end we realised that the "holiday" was really a spell in a concentration camp.

In one German area an ex-schoolteacher was made a Nazi censor. People who wanted to send messages abroad knew his weakness for correcting spelling mistakes in every letter which passed through his hands.

So the writers made a series of spelling mistakes in their letters,

and believe it or not the school-teacher-censor concentrated so much on correcting them that he never bothered about the meaning of the messages.

Much of my news from Germany used to be written in the hand of a six or seven-year-old boy. Censors never bother to read children's letters.

There was a time when every Berlin paper carried thrilling stories about the exploits of two criminal brothers by the name of Sassa.

A week later flames shot up from the Berlin Reichstag building. The Nazis accused the Communists of firing the Reichstag. But we know that the Nazis themselves were the real culprits. I wired to my Editor in Vienna:—

"Brothers Sassa fired Reichstag." He understood me and our paper next day carried a huge headline: "S.A. and S.S. (Brownshirts and Black Guards) fired the Reichstag."

We had beaten the censor successfully, for he would never have dared to pass a bald message containing such an accusation.

Willi Frischauer

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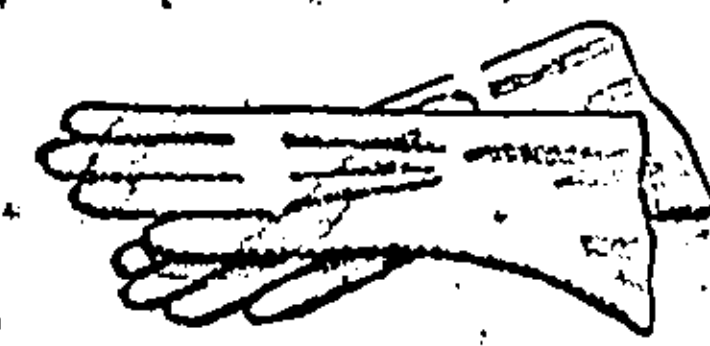
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- It's a great pity. In the cafe
- R2043—Bihari
- Serenade
- Ella Logan and Orch.
- R2635—Adios Muchachos
- I'm forever blowing bubbles
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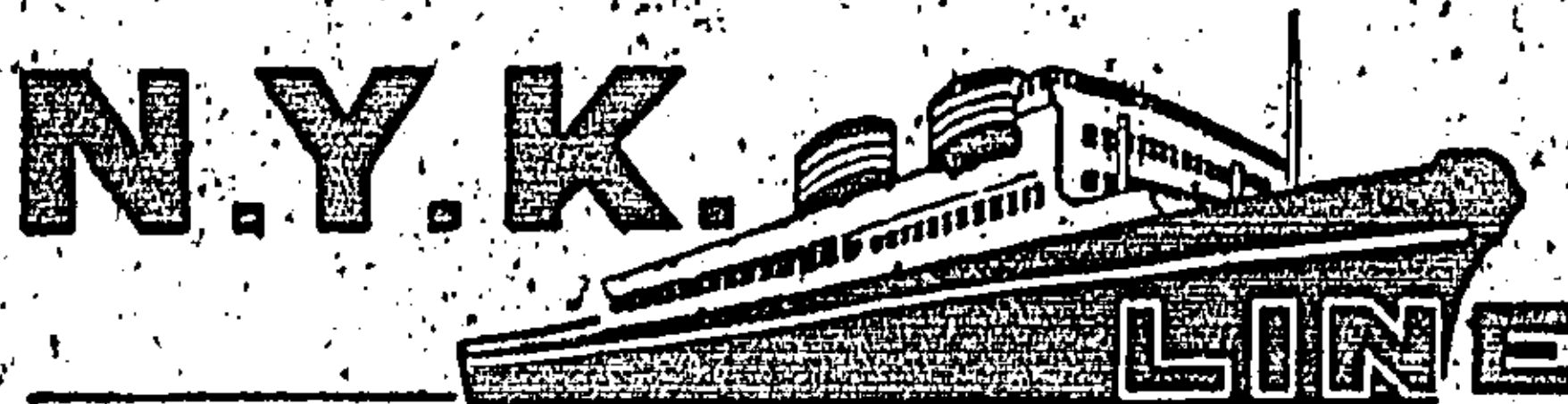
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## ALLIES IN NEAR EAST

N.Y. Paper Analyses  
Advantages Gained

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—A Washington Post analysis, prepared for the Foreign Policy Association, says: "The British and French won the first round for control of the Near East without serious opposition by the totalitarian Powers. The Allies now hold strategic points, the principal lines of communication and the economic resources in the Near East to the disadvantage of Germany, Russia and Italy."

The paper also refers to the steadily increasing Allied military forces in the Near East, and, discussing Rumania, it says: "Britain has left no doubt of her intentions to take drastic measures if oil continues to be supplied to Germany."

### Nazis Problem

"The Cleveland Plain Dealer" says: "To-day the Soviet Union cannot supply Germany with sufficient quantities of the three most vital raw materials—petroleum, vegetable oil and manganese—to conduct war. The chief drawback is transportation."

"Stalin would not hesitate to deprive his own people if he believed that by underwriting the Third Reich he was at the same time advancing the political interests of his regime."

"But even were he to incline, he would be handicapped by the inadequacy of Russian railroads and shipping lanes open to Russia."

### Significant Loss Of Oil

"The New York Sun" says that the sinkings of German oil vessels are of great significance. These exploits "represent the opening runs of the campaign to cut off the Reich's supplies of one product vitally necessary for the prosecution of the war. If the British succeed in closing this route, their action may have catastrophic consequences for Hitler's embattled Reich."

The difficulties of transporting oil, it is pointed out, are not insuperable. The Rio de Janeiro paper, "Jornal do Brasil," examining the possibility of reconstruction of the British Labour leaders would create greater efficiency and solidarity.

"Aviation," says the "Jornal do Brasil," "is the only means of transport which the re-modelled French Cabinet as a source of greater strength."

"O'Connell" suggests a possible connection between the United States decision to sell 600 Army planes to the Allies and the failure of Mr. Sumner Welles' mission.

### Lord Samuel's Views

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Lord Samuel, broadening the impressions of his recent tour to Cyprus, Palestine and Egypt, said that the countries he visited were more at peace in wartime than they had been in peacetime.

"Throughout that part of the world," he continued, "all parties and all sections in all countries are of one mind about the war."

"Turkey and Greece, Egypt and Palestine, Cyprus and Syria, and further away Iraq and the Hedjaz are a solid block of opinion in favour of the rulers and the ruled everywhere take the same view on the dominant question of the day—the first time for many years that this has been so."

"All are against Germany. All are deeply concerned that no aggressive, totalitarian state should obtain the controlling influence in the eastern Mediterranean."

"Every section, therefore, is anxious not to do anything that would hinder the war effort of Britain and France."

## Dutch Ship Is Feared Lost

Believed Victim Of  
Nazi Operations

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—and it seems he spent a lengthy time in the Netherlands ship believed to have been lost.

She is the 400-ton coastal ship Sabia of which nothing has been heard for a week.

She had a crew on board of seven. The Sabia reported that she was being attacked by a German plane in the North Sea three weeks ago, and that she had been damaged.

It is presumed that the damage rendered her unworthy and that she sank while trying to get home.

### Trawlers Refuse To Sail

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The crews of ten Netherlands trawlers refused yesterday to put to sea.

Great alarm has been caused by a German warship and they report that they were taken to the naval base of Borkum where their ships' papers and their passports were examined.

They were then released and told not to sail east of 4 degrees East longitude.

This means that they cannot fish in Dutch home waters.

The line runs almost along the whole of the Dutch coast from 10 to 50 miles out.

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns that although it is inevitable that some foreign business interests will, of necessity, have to work in with the new Government in China under Wang Ching-wei, so far as the British authorities are concerned it is understood that their attitude will be one of complete non-recognition.

## NAZI "HELL-SHIP" REACHES KIEL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 27 (UP).—The Nazi hell-ship Altmark, from which 400 tortured British seamen were rescued on February 17 by H.M.S. Cossack, made a very subdued entrance into Kiel harbour to-day.

Admiral Raeder originally planned an honourous welcome for the Nazi prison ship, whose British prisoners were to have marched through the streets in a triumphal procession.

The Altmark was grounded in Norwegian waters after attempting to run H.M.S. Cossack. She was refloated with the aid of other Nazi vessels, the British Navy making no attempt to interfere with the vessel once the British were removed.

Of the 400 Britons rescued from the Altmark, over fifty had taken to hospital, and several were seriously injured. One stretcher case had died. Conditions aboard the hell-ship were described as being absolutely filthy.

## Planes For Foreign Powers U.S. Experts Solve Problem

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (UP).—Mr. Harry Woodring, Secretary of War, Mr. Louis Johnson, Assistant Secretary of War, General George Marshall, Chief of Staff, and Major General H. Arnold, Chief of the Air Corps, testified before the House Military Affairs Committee to-day, and said they had agreed to a new policy for selling the latest model war planes to foreign powers which will give the United States unequalled production capacity to meet her own needs in any emergency.

They said the United States will be able to produce 14,000 planes annually beginning this year.

The Chairman of the Committee, Rep. Andrew May, said: "This is a complete answer to the critics of such sales."

He added that the testimony has closed the inquiry without objection.

Mr. Woodring assured the Committee that no military secrets would be divulged. The United States now has possibly half a dozen planes superior to any in the world," he declared.

No Secrets Disclosed  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Secretary for War, Mr. Harry H. Woodring, testified before the House of Representatives' Military Committee that the Government's new policy of permitting the export of the latest American planes was designed to keep the United States air force constantly supplied with modern equipment.

Military secrets would not be disclosed nor would the United States air expansion be delayed.

Mr. Woodring said the United States War Department possessed possibly six types of planes superior to any other in the world.

The War Department was adjusting the foreign sales policy in various ways, imposing a stipulation that designs owned by the Department or by manufacturers over whom the Department had control would not be released for manufacture or detailed assembly abroad.

Mr. Woodring added that he had worked out this new policy "without coercion or pressure from anybody."

High army officials testified that the present expansion of production facilities indicated that the United States would be able to manufacture between 30,000 and 40,000 planes yearly by the end of 1940.

The Committee gave indirect approval to the Government's foreign sales policy.

Later several plane manufacturers met Government officials to work out plans for expediting foreign orders.

Indian Agitator  
Sent To Prison

CHANDASSA, Bihar, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Jayprakash Narain, Congress Secretary of the All-India Congress Socialist Party, who was arrested three weeks ago under the Defence of India Act after delivering a speech, was to-day sentenced to nine months' rigorous imprisonment.

Vosges Activity

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—To-day's communiqué says that there was marked activity of artillery on both sides to the west of the Vosges.

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## R.A.F. SINK NAZI SHIP

Patrol Vessel Is  
Caught Napping

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that during reconnaissance off the North Sea to-day, aircraft of the R.A.F. Coastal Command attacked and sank an enemy patrol vessel.

The patrol vessel was sunk in the eastern part of the North Sea. This attack was carried out in the face of intense A.A. fire.

Four ships were seen close together, and the pilots selected one as their target. They dived and released their bombs.

Direct Hit On Deck  
The rear gunner of one of the aircraft saw a salvo of bombs burst directly on deck. There was a big explosion and the flame and smoke died down.

The British flew into a cloud to escape the storm of retaliatory fire, and when they emerged the crews saw only three ships.

One pilot said: "Where the ship had been there was only a mass of frothy water."

## Count Teleki's Talk Mystery

Seen As Sequel To The  
Brenner Meeting

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Commenting on the visit to Rome of Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, and his long conversation with Signor Mussolini, the diplomatic correspondent of the BBC comments that no one outside the two governments concerned can know exactly what took place nor the reasons which prompted Count Teleki to go to Rome to confer before the Brenner Pass meeting.

The latter, however, probably gives the clue to the situation.

Hungary is vitally interested in the relations existing between Italy and Germany. Whatever designs Germany may have on her or on any other Balkan or Danubian state, her actions must depend on the attitude of other interested Powers.

Italy has made it clear often enough that she is one of the first to be considered.

It may well be that Count Teleki wanted to satisfy himself that the Brenner Pass meeting between Hitler and Mussolini had not upset the dependence of forces on which Hungary depends.

FINNISH SPIRIT  
STILL ALIVE

Stirring Message By  
The President

HELSINKI, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—In a message to the retiring Government, President Kailla described the Soviet peace terms as "unacceptable" but added that the people and Parliament had realised that even an onerous peace was preferable to years of sanguinary war in the face of great odds.

President Kailla warmly paid tribute to the outgoing Government for its endeavours to secure conditions during the war.

The Foundation Stones  
The defensive capacity of our Army is quite different from what it was at the beginning of the war," he said. "It is true that our country is mutilated—a matter which we mourn—but the Finnish people, alive in their duty, our independence and our Army still exist."

"These are the foundation stones on which we shall continue to build our future," he concluded.

Vosges Activity

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—To-day's communiqué says that there was marked activity of artillery on both sides to the west of the Vosges.



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1.04 Reuter and Eddy Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.15 Patricia Roshbrooth (Piano) and Robinson Cleaver (Organ).

Poet and Pansy (Supper), Zampa (Herold), The Wedding of the Phil- ed. Doll, Intro. The Doll, Didge (Brown) Nola (Arndt).

2.00 Selected Waltzes by Darling Walt, Forester, Gipsy, Barch.

2.05 Stratus (The Berlin State Opera Orchestra), Volga-Waltz (Composers Unknown), Gypsy Waltz (Composers Unknown), Russian Novelty Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

2.35 Blackie and Herd's Hour.

2.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

2.47 Dance Music.

2.50 London Relay The News.

3.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

3.03 Studio Two Piano Recital by Herbert and Bernhard Raff (from the Gloucester Hotel).

3.05 "Variety" with Gipsy, Barch, Arthur, Askey, Zora, Layman and Others. Vocal: Who Did I Have To Meet You? (Mrs. Queen of Hearts).

3.10 Fields with Orchestra. Comedian-Ding Dong Bell (Askey).

3.15 Pulled Myself Together (Askey).

3.20 Arthur Askey with Piano Accompaniment. Some of These Days (Askey).

3.25 The Rambler Dance Orchestra and Vocal Chorus. Vocal: The Beautiful Bearded Lady (Luther).

3.30 Go In The Lion's Cape To-Night (Luther).

3.35 Zora Layman and The Homeowners with Orchestra. Humorous John Henry's Night Out (Henry).

3.40 John Henry's Night Out (Henry).

3.45 The Rambler Dance Orchestra and Vocal Chorus. Vocal: The King Steps Out (Medley) (Kreiser).

3.50 Regional Foot; Comedian-The Wedding of a Gipsy (Neabitt and Others).

3.55 I Want To Be A Nudist (Neabitt and Others).

4.00 Eddie Pola with Orchestra. Vocal: Poor Me, Poor You (McConnell and Others).

4.05 Eddie Pola with Orchestra. Vocal: Grace Fields with Orchestra; Vocal: Night Nursery (Kelly and Arundale).

4.10 The Village That Nobody Knows (Simpson-Haydn Wood).

4.15 Turner Layton at the Piano.

4.20 London Relay—News Summary.

4.25 London Relay—Viva La France—5. The fifth of a series on Life of the French Army and People.

4.30 A French Programme with Georges Thill (Tenor) and Jane Bathori (Mezzo-Soprano).—March Lorraine (Ganne).—La Garde Re-

publicans Band; Ouvre Ton Coeur (Bizet); Nalt D'Espagne (Massenet); Georges Thill (Tenor) with Maurice Fabre at the Piano; L'Alsacienne Suite No. 2 (Bizet); Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra; Lied (Cottile, Mendes and Chabrier); Clinic De Lune (Verlaine and Fauré); Jane Bathori (Mezzo-Soprano) accompanying herself at the Piano; Verheer—O Nature Pleine De Grace (Gardien); Georges Thill (Tenor) with Orchestra; La Marseillaise... La Garde Republicaine Band.

4.45 B.B.C. Recording—"Over the Garden Wall," A Sketch.

4.50 Dance Music.

11.00 Close down.

Canadian Elections

Govt. Sweeps  
The Board

Liberals Secure A Record  
Majority

OTTAWA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The latest state of the parties in the Canadian elections is:

Liberals, 174.  
National Government, 38.  
Dominion, 8.

There is no change in the other parties.

Reinforced by a record majority representing 53 per cent of the national vote, Mr. Mackenzie King will probably summon Parliament for either May 2 or May 9.

Smashing Victory  
OTTAWA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Liberal Government of Canada has obtained a smashing victory at the polls in victory even greater than its most ardent supporters had hoped for.

The latest figures are—  
Liberal 174 seats (out of a total of 245).

Conservative (or National Government) the party has been falling itself 38.

The Co-operative Commonwealth Federation 35.  
New democratic social credit 1.  
Others 9.

All Communists  
One result has been deferred and eight others are still doubtful.

The results do not include the votes of the Canadian troops which will be available next week.

The votes may alter parts of the results but will not be enough to affect the main issue.

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The Social Credit Party only polled one out of the original 15 seats.

All the leading lights of the Conservative Party were defeated and so were all the women candidates.

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### Nazi Super-Man

Dr. Ley, the leader of the Nazi Labour Front, repeats what he has often said before, that Poles and Jews are mere vermin, to be exterminated so that the superior race, the Germans, may have room to live. A German, he insists, could never live in the same conditions as a Pole or a Jew.

What sort of life, then, does this superman live? The question has been answered in various books, written by men who have Nazi hierarchy. One of the latest which throws light on those dark places is "Hitler's Twelve Apostles," by Oswald Dutch, describing the character and exploits of the chiefs of the clique which Hitler has gathered round him.

This Ley, nick-named "the Jailer of the German Workers" when German working men were still free to speak their minds, is acknowledged to be the champion toper of the Party. "He is best found in the ale-house from which the loudest laughter issues, but if is also common knowledge in the Party that when Ley is urgently wanted all that is necessary to produce him is to ring up his favourite taverns.

"Although he is married, and, as an organiser of the German Labour Front is busy day in and day out, he is hardly ever to be found at home in the evening or early hours of the night; he is always at some inn or another. It has repeatedly happened that not only has Ley had to be brought home dead drunk in his service car, but also he has even attended important Party meetings not entirely sober. Since, however, in the Party drinking is a peculiarity which, even if it is carried to excess, does not in any case cast a slur on the offender, Dr. Ley's love of beer and wine has aided rather than injured his reputation."

And as for his other qualities, they are much the same as those of most of the notorious twelve. When Ley destroyed the German Trade Unions and established the Labour Front in their place, he did so with the utmost violence and shamelessness. The "brutal flat, and the point of the bayonet" made his success possible.

# MURDER BEFORE BREAKFAST

JACK SANDERS has gone home. He doesn't want to work in a lightship any more. He wants a job where he gets a gun.

And this is why:—

It was early on a stormy, miserable North Sea morning.

The East Dudgeon lightship was riding a swollen, swelling sea. Jack Sanders, 5ft. 9ins. and 12st. 6lbs., had just come up on deck to take his turn in keeping watch with young George Jackson.

They were great friends these two. After a few minutes they heard airplane engines. Then down out of the clouds came a Heinkel bomber and swooped just over their mast-head. Even then they weren't terribly alarmed, for Nazis had sometimes flown over the ship before and waved a greeting.

But when it circled round they ran for cover under the after-part of the deckhouse. George Jackson and three others of the crew had seen this happen before. They knew what was probably coming.

AND sure enough there came a burst of machine-gun fire. The German came over a third time and dropped a bomb.

Seeing the way it fell the crew made for shelter in the bows.

One of them, Bell, was a sick man, but the skipper had to order him to get dressed and stand by.

The plane circled round and dropped another bomb, then a salvo of four.

It was murder, crouching there in the bows with not even a shotgun to defend themselves with.

And the German was getting nearer. His seventh dropped not much more than ten yards from the ship. The eighth smashed right through the port lifeboat and exploded under the stern.

She jumped almost clean out of the sea, and as she wallowed back they found themselves well deep in swirling, icy water.

The deck rail went overboard and all the glass in the big lantern started rattling back. The ship was listing badly to starboard.

THEY stuck it for half an hour, and it was obviously no use trying to stay any longer. They ran for the remaining boat and put off.

The Nazis circled round three or four times to make sure they weren't going back to the ship, and made off in a northerly direction.

Then they pulled back and young George Jackson went inboard to get the lifeboat equipment box and emergency stores.

They were wet and freezing cold, but very hopeful. They didn't talk much.

Some one started singing "Roll out the barrel"—and some one else told him to shut up.

THE skipper, Mr. George, a tough, compactly built man of about fifty-four, was at the tiller. His plan was to run for the Humber, and his job was a difficult one; for with the seas that were running they were in much danger of being swamped if she got broadside on to them.

As it was, two men were kept bailing all the time.

Sanders and Bert Rumsby were pulling, and the other three were up in the bows.

Bell was too ill to do anything. He had been seasick ever since he came aboard the previous Thursday. Sanders didn't even know his name, until the police told him afterwards.

"They were a very nice crowd," says Jack Sanders.

"Herbert Rumsby, very quiet but very nice. About forty-five. I suppose you could wish to be with a man nearly fifty. I'd been ship-mates with him before—the years I've been in lightships—and Barold Boulton too, he was a nice chap, about forty-four, I think.

"Then Dick Norton, he was a good old sort, must have been about fifty-five. I lived alongside him, home in Yarmouth, for two years."

IT was about two hours before they lost sight of the ship. They were glad to do that, for it meant they were getting somewhere.

Shortly after that they sighted a trawler. A wave of life swept over them. They tied a blanket to an oar and hoisted it.

They burned some flares, hoping they would see the smoke. Pathetically they shouted. But the trawler did not see them and passed on.

"When she'd gone it took a bit of the go out of us," says Sanders.

They got out their ration, bully beef and blaut.

Bell, the sick man, asked for a

You read a week ago of German air raids along a 400-mile line off the east coast of Britain. One of the victims was the East Dudgeon lightship. At the time, the attack on this defenceless craft was told in a few words. Road, to-day, the dramatic story of the only man in a crew of eight who escaped

— as told to —

## ANTHONY COTTERELL

drink of water, but the bung had got knocked out of the keg and the water had all run away.

They didn't feel much like eating; they were too busy watching the horizon.

It began to get dark. Harry Davis took Jack Sanders's place at the oar. It was the first break for Sanders that day. He began to nod.

But after twenty minutes Davis had to give up; he was too tired and frozen to go on. Sanders said, "Well, get back, old chap," gave him a clasp on the back and he fell back into the water on the floor of the boat.

THEY went on pulling. The worst thing of all was the darkness.

They were beginning to reach their limit. They had been rowing in heavy seas all day and most of the night. The skipper ordered them to put the anchor over. They did. It touched bottom, and they knew they must be somewhere near land.

They should have been warned by the sound of the breakers, but these were drowned over by the heavy surf which had been chasing them all day long.

And these white tops were to be their ruin. A cross current caught them, and three great waves came smacking down.

They jumped to right the boat for the first one. "Start bailing out," shouted the skipper.

"But before we could move the second one struck us," says Sanders. "We're on a shoal, skipper," I heard young George Jackson shout. Then the third one simply upped the boat and threw us all out into the water.

# £4000 A MINUTE

## The Cost of Totalitarian War

THE Chancellor's revelation that the war is costing this country at least £2,000,000 a day—just over £4,000 a minute—is sufficiently impressive proof of the enormous burden twentieth century totalitarian hostilities place on the belligerents.

Actually, that is not the end of the story, because when Britain is fully into her war stride the cost will most probably rise to half as much again.

As a measure of the extent of the national effort £2,000,000 is more dramatic than final. For, although expressed in sterling of present day purchasing power, it is actually greater than the daily expenditure in the later days of the Great War. It represents a materially smaller fraction of the national income than 21 years ago.

A well-known economist, Mr. Colin Clark, now Government statistician in Queensland, estimates that in 1918 Great Britain was devoting to war purposes 60 per cent. of the current national income. So far in this war only about 40 per cent. is being devoted to them. Furthermore—and this is greatly in our favour—the capacity of British industry is half as large again as it was in 1918. Therefore the expenditure on the present scale could be continued for a number of years without undue burdens.

### The Tax-payer's Load

This policy, however, would drag out the conflict. Britain's aim is to throw the whole weight of her resources into the struggle to bring it to a speedy conclusion, and it is plain that £2,000,000 a day by no means represents our maximum effort.

The financial side of the present war very much resembles that of the Great War. The upward sweep of expenditure is following much the same course. In September it was £2,250,000 a day, and it will soon be 25 per cent. greater than that.

It is interesting to compare the expenditure curves of the Great War and the present war. They show striking resemblances, which are likely to continue. The seven million mark will soon be passed, and in the course of little more than a year the seven millions may reach eight millions, and even nine millions a day.

Most far-sighted economists hope, for the sake of posterity, that we shall be able to raise a larger proportion of this out of the current taxation than we did before. If not the next generation will be faced with crippling burdens.

The country's total income at the present time is calculated by financial experts to be about six thousand

millions. Taxation will raise about £2,000,000,000 this year. This proves that so far the Government is only taxing in taxation about 16 per cent. Although taxation seems heavy enough, before the close of the Great War nearly 30 per cent. was being taken in taxation to finance the struggle.

### If Inflation Came

These figures are further proof that Britain has by no means reached the maximum of her war effort. The national income is bound to increase, and, as Sir Walter Layton has pointed out, if by financial mismanagement uncontrolled inflation sets in, it would rise to astronomical figures—with the danger of terrible collapse as in Germany after the war. Whatever happens, some rise in prices and wages is inevitable, and economists believe that the national income will rise to between seven thousand millions and eight thousand millions.

If the cost of the Great War is anything to go by the Government will require well over three thousand millions for war purposes, and in all it will very probably expend four thousand millions. Much remains to be decided and planned out before the nation is fully geared for war. The large number of unemployed is sufficient evidence of this.

To quote Sir Walter Layton:—"Up to the present we are a very long way short of our maximum war effort. How quickly the peak can be reached, how far it should be financed by taxation or by internal borrowing, the proportion to be spent on the three fighting services and civil defence respectively, and the extent to which the decision must be governed by the amount of imports which we have the means of buying overseas—these are all major questions that need to be answered before it is possible to draw up a national war plan."

### The People's Savings

The enthusiastic reception given by the public to the new issue of National Savings Certificates and Defence Bonds is striking evidence that the British public is anxious and willing to contribute towards the cost of the war.

Mr. J. M. Keynes, the eminent economist, has come forward with a

notable scheme, whereby every person should contribute a percentage of his income for loan purposes. This, he estimates, would bring in about four hundred millions a year. It would serve a double purpose; the restriction of expenditure resulting upon higher wages, thus creating demand and forcing up prices, so leading to the pitfall of inflation; and the putting away of money which would be released after the war, when there will occur the inevitable slump. The money so taken would help to pay for the war and afterwards when returned assist the wage-earner over the industrial depression.

Whether this war will cost as much as the Great War, nobody can tell, as this will entirely depend on its duration. An exact calculation of its cost to Great Britain is impossible. The day after the declaration of war the Government obtained from Parliament a vote of credit of £100,000,000. Nobody realised then this would be a mere drop in an ocean, but it was so, and the other day, lecturing on the war potential of Britain, Professor Sherris, Professor of Economics until recently at the University of Bombay, said that if the national income rises to seven thousand millions, and the Government takes the same proportion of our expenditure as in the last war, we shall be able to reach a maximum war effort of at least three hundred millions a month, which gives us daily expenditure of over the nine millions estimated by some financiers.

Nazi's Financial Weakness  
One hundred millions to-day would last little more than a fortnight, and in the end the War Governments of 1914-1918 had to spend the huge sum of £2,417,000,000.

We had to lend huge sums to the Allies, and ourselves borrow from the United States. It was much for the enormously strong financial position of Britain, that had we not been compelled to make loans to Russia, France, Italy, Rumania, Portugal, and sundry other countries, we would have been able to finance our efforts entirely.

We can take courage from the fact that whereas we are this time nowhere near the peak of our war effort, Germany has already nearly reached practically full economic reserves and cannot make greater effort" (Mr. Colin Clark), and in his book "Nazis Germany Can't Win".

Dr. Necker, himself a former German officer, declares the Nazi doctrine of self-sufficiency has created new weaknesses, both moral and economic.

Norman Barclay



## OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

### No Weakening In France

Paris, Mar. 27. M. Reynaud intends to make direct and personal contact with all France's chief foreign envoys. The Ambassadors in Brussels and Rome will be the first to return to Paris for a short period. The Ambassador in London was in Paris a few days ago. The other envoys will report shortly. —Reuter.

#### Press Reaction

Paris, Mar. 27. The morning papers reflect the deep impression made by M. Reynaud's broadcast.

L'Espresso says: "We will abandon M. Reynaud to-morrow if we consider him wrong, but let us give him credit to-day."

The Figaro writes that M. Reynaud addressed the nation in sober, energetic and determined language. He impressed on us to what extent every Frenchman's effort is necessary to secure victory.

The Echo de Paris describes the speech as delivered in brave language which Frenchmen can hear, accept and approve if they are convinced that those governing them are animated by the same spirit of total abnegation and sacrifice equally shared.

L'Ouvre states that M. Reynaud's clear and moving speech was a perfect answer to the Hitlerian propaganda which seeks to exhibit France as a nation weakened by internal discord. —Reuter.

#### Approval In London

The speech of M. Reynaud has been received with warm approval in London. The Daily Telegraph says: "M. Reynaud spoke as a statesman less concerned to calculate votes than to represent the spirit of France. He took the tone of a leader who, if asked what his policy was, would reply, like a famous predecessor, 'I wage war'."

A government of national union, or some ministerial expression of profound unity of the French people in conflict is what he looks forward to and will work for. So much he made plain.

"In the composition of the present ministry he claimed that the sole purpose was to form such a government as would exert the utmost possible strength in action."

"The hour in which we live is decisive." In that conviction he is at one with his predecessors and present colleagues. M. Daladier, who not long ago called upon civilians as well as troops to "consecrate their whole strength to the service of the French community."

The Telegraph concludes: "M. Reynaud's brilliant record in the recovery of French finances proves that he has qualities of 'clarity and daring' which he once declared, not without justice, were primary needs of statesmanship in these iron years. His call to France has the ring of leadership." —British Wireless.

#### Surprise To Germans

London, Mar. 27. Circles close to the Government welcome M. Reynaud's speech as a response to the French people's determination to continue the most energetic war policy.

Semi-official circles believe M. Reynaud's broadcast was a surprise to the German commentators who had professed they saw signs of weakening in the French Governmental changes. —United Press.

### Seeking New Agreement

#### Franco-Japanese Talks To Be Started

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". PARIS, Mar. 27 (UP).—It is reliably reported that the Franco-Japanese negotiations for the renewal of the modus vivendi, commercial treaty, expiring on April 15, will begin next Wednesday between the Secretary of the Japanese Embassy, Mr. Saito and the Commerce Chief of the Foreign Office, M. Delenda.

It is said unofficially that a Japanese observer, Mr. Kawai is expected to arrive from Rome next Friday morning and will continue a tour of the major European countries.

### U.S. And Foreign War Propaganda

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has unanimously approved a resolution establishing a special committee of seven members for investigation of foreign war propaganda in the United States.

Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, said that one of the principal effects of the approval of the resolution would be to serve notice to foreign governments that any propaganda activities which they encountered would be subjected to minute scrutiny.

### Finnish Cabinet Unchanged

HELSINKI, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Seven members of the new Finnish Cabinet were in the outgoing Ministry and all, with the exception of Mr. Tanner, retain the portfolios they held before.

M. Paasikivi, Minister Without Portfolio in the outgoing Cabinet, is not in the new Ministry.

### Plot Against Pres. Vargas

RIO DE JANEIRO, Mar. 27 (UP).—The Government has announced the unearthing of a conspiracy against President Vargas in Sao Paulo by a "former political clique of the Secretary of State." Several meetings were held in the homes of the conspirators. It is asserted that the movement had its headquarters in the office of a newspaper.

It is asserted that in the country house of one conspirator the authorities discovered hidden underground 57 machine guns and hand grenades.

The alleged conspirators have been taken to Rio de Janeiro in the custody of Federal officials.

## MOSCOW'S OVERTURES

### Wants New Friendship With Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". MOSCOW, Mar. 27 (UP).—Moscow wants to make it up and be friends with Britain, despite England's fury over the Soviet invasion and dismemberment of Finland.

Indications are that despite the strain on relations between Russia and Britain, Moscow is ready to let bygones be bygones and to co-operate in an effort to improve relations.

#### Hopes Unfounded

To-day's meeting between M. Molotov the Soviet Ambassador to London and the British Foreign Secretary was arranged at the former's request in compliance with Moscow instructions.

However, it seems that Russian hopes that Russo-British relations would improve with the conclusion of the Russo-Finnish war have proved, not only to be premature, but unfounded.

The best informed London sources indicate that the British do not intend to ask for the recall of M. Molotov, nor does the Soviet plan to withdraw him in connection with the Souritz affair in Paris, but the relations between London and Moscow are anything but cordial.

### Scottish Regiments Move Up

Paris, Mar. 27. The French authorities to-day announced that the British line had been extended to take over a new sector from the French.

No details regarding the extension are available, but it is understood that the occupants of the sector include some of the most famous Scottish regiments. —United Press.

#### Germans Take Prisoners

Berlin, Mar. 27. A High Command communiqué to-day states: "In the frontier area between the Pomeranians we succeeded in taking several prisoners. The enemy in addition suffered losses in several dead and wounded. North of Welsburg enemy shock troops were repulsed with losses."

"Despite strong opposition by enemy pursuit planes and anti-aircraft guns, German planes during reconnaissance over France achieved valuable results. During the night of March 25-26 enemy planes flew over north-west Germany. In several cases they flew over Danish, Netherlands, Belgian and Luxembourg territory on the homeward flight."

—United Press.

#### Award For Woman

Paris, Mar. 27. Mlle. Kurtz, ambulance driver, is the first woman to be awarded the Croix de Guerre in the present war. She was wounded at the Western Front last month. —Reuter.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued yesterday says:

The market was listless. Buyers

Union Ins. \$505.  
China Lights (Old) \$8.20.  
China Lights (New) \$5.40.  
Entertainments \$7.40.

Sellers

Lands \$374.  
Tramways \$17.85.  
Yanmull Ferries \$20½.  
Telephones (Old) \$30¼.  
Telephones (New) \$11.00.  
Ropes \$5.70.

Sales

Union Ins. \$510.  
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Ropes \$5.65.

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Suyoc Con. 12 b  
Syndicate Inv. 010 b  
United Paracale 24½ b  
Zenguel Con. 5.00 b

## Exchange At A Glance

### SELLING

T.T. London	1/2 25/32
Demand do.	1/2 25/32
T.T. Singapore	250
T.T. Japan	22½
T.T. India	22½
T.T. U.S.A.	21¼
T.T. Manila	42½
T.T. Batavia	39½
T.T. Bangkok	150½
T.T. Saigon	100
T.T. France	10.02
T.T. Switzerland	.05
T.T. Australia	1/0 ¼

### BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/3 3/32
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3 7/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	11.37
4 m/s France	11.37
30 d/s India	.63¾
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02½
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.40½

### The Souritz Rumpus

## Envoy Exceeds Privileges

### Story Of Recall Of Ambassador

#### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Mar. 27 (UP).—The French Prime Minister to-day reported to the Cabinet that Russia has agreed to recall the Soviet Ambassador in accordance with France's demand, because the Ambassador is now considered persona non grata due to the fact that he tried to telegraph to Moscow denouncing "British and French warmongers" in connection with the consummation of the Russo-Finnish treaty.

Written in plain French language, the telegram was intercepted and a copy was sent to the French Chancery d'Affaires in Moscow with instructions for him to inform the Soviet Foreign Minister that the Soviet Ambassador in Paris had exceeded his ambassadorial privileges.

#### Envoys In Conference

It was also announced to-day that the French Premier is recalling individually all French ambassadors from European capitals for consultation. He has already talked with M. Corbin from London and his next talk will be with M. Francois Poncet from Rome and then M. Barthelemy from Brussels after which he will consult the others singly.

Russian sources in Paris say that the date of M. Souritz's departure has not yet been fixed. Henceforth Russia will be represented here by the Soviet Charge d'Affaires, M. Pavel Kravitsky.

#### Personal Affair

"The case of M. Souritz must be considered a personal affair concerning the personality of an Ambassador who has overstepped the limits of courtesy," a French official spokesman said.

Meanwhile M. Naggar, French Ambassador to Moscow has been in France since February on sick leave and it seems he spent a lengthy sojourn in Britain for the same reason. To-day the French police are guarding the Russian Embassy and obliging all callers, even the Embassy staff, to identify themselves.

## Throttling Trade

### Danish Outcry Against Nazi Sea Warfare

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—On Tuesday night in the Danish Parliament every member rose when the Prime Minister expressed the nation's grief at the destruction of seven Danish ships within the past eight days and the loss of 80 lives by Nazi submarines and mines.

The Prime Minister condemned Germany's actions against the neutrals and her refusal to respect their right to carry on trade which is essential for their very existence.

As a result of the Nazi sea warfare Danish exports have fallen, while the prices for imported goods have risen so high that Government will now have to impose heavy new taxes.

## £12,000 GIFT TO WAR FUND

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—To commemorate his recent coronation, the Sultan of Brunei has given £12,000 towards the prosecution of the war.

## NAZI WESTERN FRONT CLAIMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". BERLIN, Mar. 27 (UP).—The Nazi High Command claims, in its communique to-day, that several Allied troops were taken prisoner during a patrol near south of Pirmasens.

The communique adds: "The enemy suffered many dead and wounded."

## Dividing World Between Them

NEW YORK, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—An indictment charging the Hausch and Lomb Optical Company, of Rochester, and the Carl Zeiss Company, of Germany, with dividing the world between them for the sale of military optical instruments, thus restricting trade in violation of anti-trust laws, has been returned by a Federal Grand Jury.

The United States Attorney, Mr. Isaacs, stated that the companies made a secret agreement in 1921 whereby the American company exclusively served America and the German company the rest of the world.

Consequently, the American company refused to sell periscopes, range-finders, gun-sights, bomb-sights, etc. to foreign Governments or American shipyards building for foreign Governments, unless the German firm consented and agreed to the price.

The indictment further claims that the American company charged unreasonably high prices to purchasers, including the United States Government.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

### BANKS

H.K. Banks	1,400 n.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.)	233½ n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	233 n.
Chartered	234 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. E.	31 n.
Mercantile, C. E.	31 n.
East Asia	71 n.

### INSURANCES

Canton	232½ n.
Union	510 sa.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	187½ n.

### SHIPPING

Douglases	150 n.
Steamships	10½ n.
Indo-China P.	100 n.
Indo-China D.S.	80 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/-	78/9 n.
Waterbush	7½ n.

### DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	107 b.
Docks	22 sa.
Docks (c. rts.)	10½ n.
Docks (x. rts.)	7½ n.
Providents	5.20 n.
Sh. Docks Sh.	37¾ n.

### MINING

Kailan s/-	19/-
Rauas x. d.	0.60 n.
Venz. Gold	.4 n.
H.K. Mines	.4 cts. n.

### LANDS

Hotels	5½ n.
Lands	37¾ n.
Lands 4% Debentures	100 n.
Shul Lands Sh.	15 n.
Humphreys	8 sa.
H.K. Realities	4.05 n.
Chinese Estates	103 n.

### UTILITIES

Trams	17¾ n.
Peak Trams (old)	8 n.
Peak Trams (new)	4 n.
Star Ferries	.08 n.
Y. Ferries	26¼ sa.
China Lights (old)	8.30 sa.
China Lights (new)	5.40 b.

### H.K. ELECTRICS

Macao Electric	65½ sa.
Sandakan Lights	11¼ n.
Telephones (old)	30¼ sa.
Telephones (new)	11.00 n.
Traction s/-	20/0 n.
Traction (Pref.) s/-	23/- n.

### INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Maec. (Ord.)	Sh. \$14.90 n.
Cald. Maec. (Pref.)	Sh. \$12 n.
Canton Ind.	1 n.
Cement	10½ n.
H.K. Ropes	5.65 sa.

### STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (x. d.)	21¾ sa.
Watsons	10½ n.
Lane, Crawford	17½ n.
Sincores	30¼ n.
Wing On (x. d.)	41 n.
Powell, Ltd.	1 n.

### COTTON MILLS

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Shul Cotton Sh.	100 n.
Zoong Sing, Sh.	.65 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh.	.40 n.

### H.K. ENTERTAINMENTS

Constructions (old)	1¾ n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	.8 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	
G. Bonds	51¼ n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	102 sa.
H.K. Govt. 3¼% Loan	96½ n.
Marmans (Lon.) s/-	14/3 n.
Marmans (H.K.) s/-	4/- n.

### N. ZEALAND ACE MASTERS NAZI MESSERSCHMITTS

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officer sent his opponent down in flames. The other, a Sergeant Pilot, reports that his quarry disappeared through the clouds with smoke trailing behind him.

Air Marshal A. S. Barstall, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, has sent a glowing telegram of congratulations to the British fighter pilots. It is now proudly displayed in his mess.

## Appeal To Rifle Association

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The War Office has asked the National Rifle Association to provide a number of instructors for the training camp at Blair.

In the last war, 15,000 officers and N.C.O.s passed through rifle training schools staffed by the National Rifle Association members.

## CANADIAN ELECTIONS

### Government Returns To Office

Ottawa, Mar. 27. The Canadian Press has conceded the return of a Liberal Government. Dr. Manion, Leader of the Conservative Party has been defeated in the general election by the Rev. Dan McIvor, the Liberal candidate at Port William, Ontario.

The re-election of Mr. Michaud, Minister of Fisheries is indicated in the Restigouche Madawaska constituency of New Brunswick.

Mr. N. M. Rogers had on easy victory over the Conservative candidate Mr. H. A. Kidd, and this result is regarded as significant, since the Conservatives campaigned against Mr. Rogers' conduct of the war throughout the dominion.

The re-election of Mr. Euler, Minister of Trade and Commerce in the Waterloo North constituency of Ontario is indicated by the votes so far counted.

Mr. McLarty, Minister of Labour has been re-elected for Essex, East Ontario, and Mr. G. D. Howe, Minister of Transport, for Port Arthur, Ontario.

Mr. P. J. Cardin, Minister of Public Works has been re-elected for Richelieu Vercheres, Quebec.

Owing to the death of the Liberal candidate, Mr. Willie Poisson, polling in Three Rivers, Quebec, is postponed pending the nomination of a new candidate.

The only leading member of any party making any prediction of the election result was Mr. G. C. Power, the Postmaster General of Quebec, who conceded a maximum of 65 seats to the Conservative Opposition. Of these 40 might be won in Ontario. —Reuter.

United Press adds that early evening standings showed that the Liberals had 45 seats against the Conservatives' seven.

#### Social Credits Lose

Ottawa, Mar. 27. The state of the Parties at 8 a.m. (H.S.T.) to-day was Liberals 105, National Government 33, others 20, doubtful 26.

In a broadcast Mr. Mackenzie King said that he was relieved and proud that the Canadian people had shown other parts of the Empire that it was possible for Canada to carry through a general election in wartime without impairing the united war effort of a united country.

"You have seen with clear eyes the great issues. The result is proof that you felt a vigorous and united war effort by united Canada was necessary not only to old Britain and France in the struggle to preserve freedom in Europe but also essential to preserve true freedom in our own land," the Premier added.

All the Ministers had easy victories except Mr. Mackenzie, Minister of Pensions, who had only a narrow majority. Mr. Murdoch MacPherson, runner-up to Mr. R. J. Manion for the leadership of the Conservatives Party, was defeated. The Conservatives thus lost two of their principal leaders.

The Liberal gains include a number of seats won from Alberta's Social Credit Party.

—The latest state of the Parties is Liberals 172, National Government 37, others 22, still doubtful 11. —Reuter.

#### Landslide Victory

Ottawa, Mar. 27. The Mackenzie King Government returned to power on the general election results which thus far indicate a landslide victory for the Liberal Party.

The Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, in a broadcast to-day thanked the voters for defeating Dr. Manion, leader of the Conservative Party. He said the people voted to stay as they were and that was their right.

The entire Cabinet has been re-elected. It is estimated that the Liberal majority in the House of Commons will exceed the last majority. —United Press.

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## "Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

# AFTER-THOUGHTS ON INTERPORT

## Macao Forwards Fail To Shoot Accurately: Colony's Sound Defence

ONE CANNOT SAY that last Saturday's Interport hockey match with Macao was ruined by the weather. On the contrary, the ground at King's Park was in good condition, and though the surface was slippery, this made play somewhat exciting and fast.

I attribute Macao's defeat to the failure of the inside forwards to shoot accurately when within the circle. Had they done so Macao would surely have drawn, at least.

## KUMAONS TROUNCE 5th A.A.

### First Round Match Of Large Units Tourney

ON THE MARINA GROUND last Monday, in the first round of the Large Units Hockey Tournament, Kumaon Rifles defeated the 5th A.A. by 5-0. The Riflemen started off at a great pace, and for most of the first half were a fraction of a second faster than their opponents.

Apart from a short time in the second half, Kumaons were almost continually on the attack, and the 5th A.A. defence was often spread-eagled by fine inter-passing movements between Nerain and Partaub.

Though Capt. Stapleton was slow, he made some nice openings for his forwards, and Capt. Lock was in splendid form on the right wing. Krishna Singh was prominent in the centre-half. Lock, Stapleton and Nerain Singh shared the goals between them.

### Rajputs 7 R. Scots 0

IN THE SAME TOURNAMENT on the Rajputana ground last Tuesday, the Rajputana Rifles beat the Royal Scots by seven clear goals. Though the Scots were quite good, the game was fast and interesting from start to finish. Both defences played well, but the Rajputana forwards were the far superior.

The home team led by three clear goals at the end of the first half. Datta Ram, at right back, was good and was responsible for two of the total from short corners. All the other goals were scored by Pritam Nath and Indragit Singh, and were the results of good passing movements.

Sha Wali, on the right wing, was speedy and put in some very nice centres. The short, quick passing of the Rajputana was much more successful than the more powerful hitting of the Scots.

Cpl. Neave, for the Scots, got through a tremendous amount of work at centre half, with Hitchcock and Douglas the backs of the forwards. With the result of these two games, I am inclined to think it is going to be an all-Indian final again this year, between the Champions and Runners-up, though Middlesex may give either team a tough time should they get through.

## International Tennis Meet In Japan

TOKYO, Mar. 26 (Domei).—In order to commemorate the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire, the Japan Tennis Association has invited ranking players from the United States, Australia and Italy to take part in an international meeting to be held in Tokyo during the Summer.

Italy has already accepted the invitation and Giorgio de Stefani, their first ranking player and Davis Cup captain, and another player will comprise their team.

## Pains in Back, Nervous, Rheumatic

Wrong foods and drinks, worry, overwork and frequent colds often put a strain on the kidneys and bladder. These troubles are the cause of Back Pain, Nervousness, Headaches, Stiffness, etc. Under the name of "Back Pain" or "Nervousness" many people suffer. The only sure cure is to take "Cystex" which cleans the kidneys and bladder, and restores the system to normal. Get "Cystex" from your doctor or chemist. It is a small, white, round tablet, and is very easy to take. It is the only medicine that guarantees a cure. "Cystex" is the only medicine that guarantees a cure. "Cystex" is the only medicine that guarantees a cure.

## RUMJAHN

### GRAND NATIONAL ACCEPTANCES

#### Amendments To List Of Probables

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Acceptances for the Grand National have been as follows:

Royal Mail, Royal Dantell, Professor J. Dunhill Castle, Rockwell, Workman, Red Eagle, Dominick's Cross, Black Hawk, Kilstar, Awmy, Macmoffat, Knight's Brook, Milano, Venturesome Knight, Symaethis, Lilligant, Le Cygne, Inverclyde, Boyo, Takvor, Pacha, Bogskar, National Night, Red Freeman, Underhill, Gold Arrow, Bachelor Prince, Down-right, Second Act, Sterling Duke, Corn Law, Luxborough, Lazy Boots and Tuckmill.

#### AMENDED PROBABLES

The following amendments have been made to the list of probables and jockeys:

Danny Organ will ride Milano, Mr. Loewenstein rides Bachelor Prince, Hyde, rides Sterling Duke.

The following have scratched:

The Uplifter, Workman, Timber Wolf, Hillohead Prince, John Chinaman, Prime, Cordite, Airgendos, Chesterton, Bally Fox and Young Mischief.

## SCOTTISH CUP REPLAY

### Hearts And Airdrie Draw Again

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—In their replay in the Third Round of the Scottish Cup football competition, Hearts and Airdrie drew again, the score being 2-2.

Regional League matches were:

WESTERN			
Hamilton	4	Ayr	2
Queen O'Sh.	4	Motherwell	1
Third Lanark	3	Dumbarton	2
EASTERN			
King's Park	4	St. Bernard's	1
Stenmuir	2	Hibernian	1

but the absence of the playing members of the Colony side was very noticeable. However, the presence of a few ladies seemed an added attraction. It was altogether very pleasant and successful.

## Macao Take Revenge On Civilians' XI

### Courageous Front Carried Them Through

ON EASTER MONDAY, following their defeat in the interport game, Macao returned to their best form, and shook our Civilians at King's Park in such a way that most of the Colony supporters who had travelled all that way swallowed their disappointment, which was occasioned, perhaps, by the splendid showing of the Civilians in the earlier stages of the match.

Spectators might have been anticipating the defeat of the Portuguese lads, but they were soon thrilled by the fine display given. I, for one, was moved to enthusiastic appreciation when our visitors, after being led 2-0 early in the second half, rained attack after attack on the Civilians' defence and finally broke through to equalise.

Gradually they settled down after positional changes had been made, and gave their best, and once they had the Civilians' attack in check, took the lead. There was no real question as to the final result.

Both attacks started off at a great pace, and both defences threatened to collapse under the strain of continual pressure, but the goal-keepers, first Souza, and then Almada, rose to the occasion with magnificent clearances. During this period the close marking of the halves, particularly W. A. Reed and L. Costa, of their opposing forwards was excellent. The score sheet, however, was blank at half-time.

Immediately on resumption, the Civilians' forwards came into the picture, and W. A. Reed, sent E. Fowler galloping away. Slipping several defenders on route, he cut inside to score from an acute angle with a high flick shot. A grand individual effort!

#### FINE DEFENCE

THEIR halves and their backs, among whom R. Rosario and J. Ferreira continually caught the eye, were generally able to prevent the Civilians' attacks from progressing further than the half-way line.

Macao went further ahead when Alex. Almada, again, beat Souza with an easy goal, the latter mis-timing his clearance. The collapse of the Civilians' backs, J. Gonsalves and R. J. Reed, was the cause of the defeat. Macao's on the other hand, were the quicker and more cohesive side, and seemed always to have something in hand. It was a well-earned victory for our visitors.

## DEFEATS UMETANI IN STRAIGHT SETS

### Splendid Duel Of Tactics In Open Singles Yesterday

(By "TINKER")

ANTICIPATIONS of some of the best tennis to date in the Colony Open tennis tournament were realised when H. D. Rumjahn met and defeated O. Umetani by 6-1, 6-2, in the Singles Championship quarter-finals yesterday on the Hongkong Cricket Club courts. It was a splendid duel of tactics, and seldom before had Rumjahn played a better game.

Where Umetani failed was in over-cautiousness. There was little wrong with his strokes, but he lost accuracy through his carelessness. Three incidents pointing to this were two quite "dolly" smashes and a volley at the net. With Rumjahn wide of position, Umetani twice hit the ball into the net, and the other point was lost over the sidelines.

He played well, however, and was a fighter to the finish. He worked for his openings, but at the critical moment made weak shots. Perhaps it was "nerves." Before the game commenced, I noticed his wiping his hands. Umetani played right into Rumjahn's hand with the type of game he played. Waiting for a player of Rumjahn's calibre to make mistakes is like waiting for rain in Hongkong—neither seldom come. In both sets the Japanese opened aggressively, and in both sets he won the first game, and it is difficult to understand why he abandoned aggressive tactics.

HOWEVER, Rumjahn, on form yesterday, was a man to win. It was no disgrace to lose. His accurate volleys, drives (cross-court and sideline) were astonishing, and came in for much applause. He imparted far more speed to his shots than his opponent, and with yesterday's accuracy, it was not surprising that Umetani did quite a bit of running from side to side of the court. It was quite a tense match—though the scores look easy enough—and both players' strokes were appreciated by the crowd. On several occasions Umetani only just failed to bring off winning volleys and drives, and on all he had the spectators sympathetic.

Rumjahn commenced serving, and after losing the first game, took the remaining six games in a row. Umetani showed a definite preference for his forehand, but in so positioning himself left quite a large space on the forehand court into which Rumjahn shot several winning volleys.

WAIT AND SEE  
UMETANI took the first game of the second set on his own service, but again relapsed into wait-and-see tactics, and Rumjahn ran into a 4-2 lead before the Japanese claimed his second and only other game in the set. In the seventh game, Umetani had been called twice on Umetani's service, he became over-careful again and lost the game by serving a double fault. Rumjahn will now meet either his cousin, S.A., or J. W. Leonard, whose match has been postponed until next week.

### To-day's Programme

OPEN DOUBLES  
Tang Oi-lam and Leung Ping-chiu v. J. L. C. Pearce and D. I. Bosanquet.  
I. and B. Agafuroff v. Wong Fook-nam and Lam Kwan.  
Kwok Hing-chung and Lui Kwai-fan v. C. H. R. Hyde and J. J. Ferguson.

### Army Beat Club In Triangular Tournament Game

IN THE SECOND GAME of the Navy-Army-Club Triangular Hockey Tournament, the Army beat the Club by 4-2 at King's Park yesterday. The Army interport players, Partaub Singh, Lt. Pritam Nath, Sha Wali and Stickley were in fine form, and their play was mainly responsible for the victory.

W. A. Reed was the only man to show up in the Club line-up. Bates worked hard on the left wing, but selfishness robbed his work of its value.

Goalscorers for the Army were Pritam Nath (2), Sha Wali and Partaub. Blackford scored both goals for the Club.

Army: Lt. Sgt. Dobson; Pte. Stickley, Gustin Singh; Sgt. Ure, Capt. Hook, Sgt. Croxson, Sha Wali, Sgt. Lombard, Lt. Pritam Nath, Narain Singh, Partaub Singh, Club: W. A. Reed, B. Yuriet, E. V. Reed, J. Pennington, W. A. Reed, W. Whitley, S. A. Fowler, T. S. D. Whitley, G. H. Fowler, D. I. Blackford, R. A. Bates.

### Y.M.C.A. Teams

The following hockey teams will represent Y.M.C.A. to-day and Saturday in friendly fixtures:  
To-day: XI v. Nerain ("Y" ground, 5.15 p.m.); Denwell, Jordan and Yuriet.

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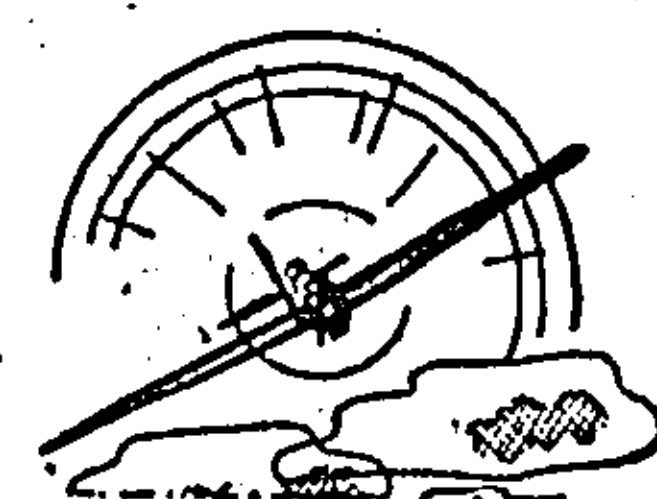
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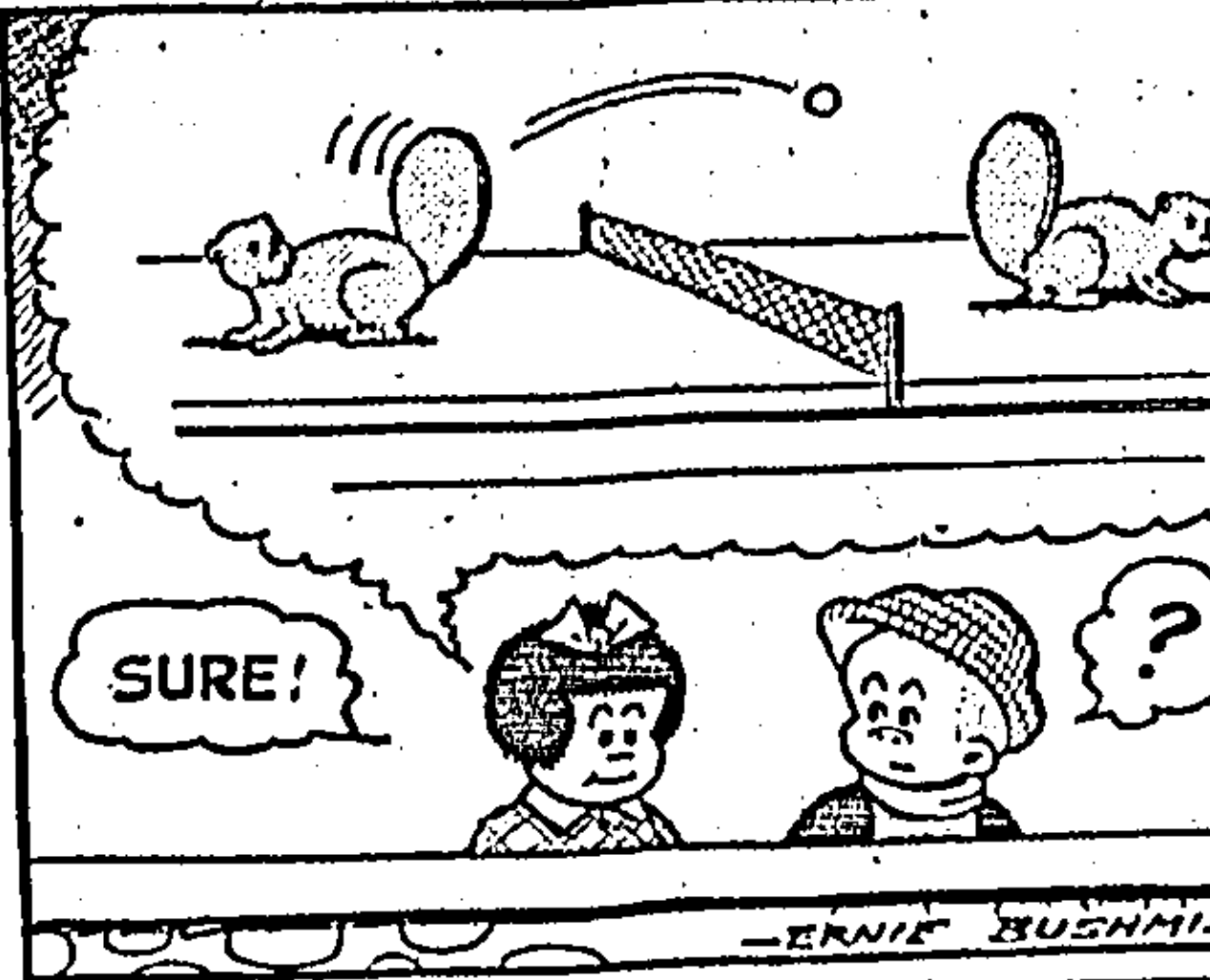
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## KOWLOON B.G.C. VOTE TO CONTINUE LEAGUE

Mr. K.C. Hamilton Elected President for 1940

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club was held yesterday. Mr. K. C. Hamilton (Vice-President) was in the chair in the absence of the President, Mr. T. E. Robson, who is in Singapore. Mr. Hamilton was supported by Mr. J. G. Meyer (Acting Hon. Secretary), Mr. G. E. F. Thompson (Hon. Treasurer), and Messrs. J. C. Brown, J. C. Gill, J. E. Henson, R. P. Phillips and C. E. Turpin (General Committee).

It was decided, on the proposal of Mr. B. Wylie, that the Club should enter teams in the Hongkong Lawn Bowls League this year as formerly. The proposal was made following discussion as to whether the Club should continue League bowls or play friendly matches only, as suggested by the Police Recreation Club at a meeting of the Lawn Bowls Association recently. The members voted unanimously that the Club should enter three teams in the League.

The annual meeting followed an extraordinary general meeting called for the purpose of passing, as special resolutions, that certain Articles of Association be altered, affecting ballot procedure, absent members' list and management.

After slight amendment and the deletion of one of the proposed alternative Articles, the Chairman proposed the approval and adoption of the new Articles. This was seconded by Mr. A. E. E. Jeffries and carried. The report and accounts were adopted.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**  
The election of officers resulted: President, Mr. K. C. Hamilton; Vice-President, Mr. J. McKelvie; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. McKelvie; Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. A. Atkins; Bowls Convenor, Mr. R. P. Phillips; Bar Convenor, Mr. J. E. Henson; Grounds Convenor, Mr. W. L. Walker; General Committee, Messrs. E. V. Searle, L. Guy, B. Wylie, H. Dickson and Mr. T. E. Robson.

**LENGTHENING GREEN**  
Mr. G. H. Sherriff suggested for the consideration of the incoming Committee that the present length of the green should be lengthened. This could be achieved through the conversion of the present hard tennis courts.

The Chairman agreed there was much to be said for and against such a suggestion, but admitted that with the increasing number of lawn bowls players, they were cramped for room. He invited the views of members on the subject.

Mr. Wylie remarked that the International Bowling Board in England had laid down that a green should be at least 105 feet in length. On the question of honoraria, he was in favor of its abolition from the agenda. He had known one Hon. Secretary who had declined to accept an honorarium. There was a lot of work attached to the jobs of those who received honoraria, he agreed, but it would look better if it were left out of the agenda in the future.

Mr. A. Morton, referring to the conversion of the tennis courts, suggested they be left as they were.

**BYE LAW AMENDMENT**  
An amendment to a bye-law of the Club in regard to tennis, proposed by Mr. Terry, was carried. He proposed

## BRITAIN'S NEW £1 NOTES

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Bank of England announces that in accordance with the arrangements made early in 1939, a new type of pound and ten shilling notes will be issued shortly. There consequently will be two types of these notes in circulation for a time. Both will be legal tender. The new types of notes will be of the same size and design as the present type but printed, except for the numbering, in different colours.

## Tributes To Mr. Savage

### Funeral Services In London On Monday

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The funeral services for Mr. M. J. Savage, the late Premier of New Zealand, will take place on Sunday.

The news of his death has been received everywhere with deep regret and messages of condolence have been sent from all parts of the English speaking world.

One message was received from General Smuts, the Prime Minister of South Africa.

### Newspapers' Tributes

In a leading article to-day the "Daily Telegraph" regrets that Mr. Savage will not be able to play a part in the Imperial discussions which must come in the future.

He might have had a great part to play.

He has already forged the spearhead of New Zealand's effort, says the "Daily Telegraph," and determined her policy in one of the most decisive hours for her future.

Commenting on his social reform work, the "Manchester Guardian" says that Mr. Savage "led" the Dominion, which is in many ways conservative, to take steps in social reform and set an example for the democracies.

His name will have its place among those of the most sincere social reformers that the British democracies have ever produced.

## Police Fire On Calcutta Mob

15,000 Scavengers Go On Strike

CALCUTTA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—For the first time for ten years, the Police opened fire in Calcutta to-day when a Police picket was attacked by a gang of municipal scavengers, who had been on strike yesterday.

After the Police had fired four rounds, 18 of the strikers were arrested.

About 15,000 scavengers are on strike demanding a 25 per cent. increase in wages.

Efforts to extend the strike to other municipal services were checked by the arrest of seven leaders.

## STOCK EXCHANGE EASES

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was very quiet, prices in most groups tending to ease apart from Kamias which were supported by local, together with Cape, buying.

Home rails continued yesterday's advance. The new war loan closed at 5/10 discount. Wall Street was firm.

## MR. WELLES DUE HOME TO-DAY

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The White House announced to-day that Mr. Sumner Welles will arrive in New York about noon to-morrow. He is expected to report to President Roosevelt immediately.

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Royal Albert Hall is to be re-opened but will conform with police regulations in that the accommodation will be limited to 5,000 people instead of the normal 7,500.

## Annual Rifle Meeting Attracts Large Crowd To Kowloon City

THE FIFTH ANNUAL PRIZE meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association which incorporates the Services Meeting, opened yesterday at Kowloon City in brilliant weather and large crowds made their way to the ranges.

Over 230 competitors fired in the rapid and snap shooting events and it says much for the organization and work of the supervising officers, that in spite of the increase in the number of competitors this year, the events were finished in time on both ranges.

Preliminary heats of the Falling Plate Match occupied the remainder of the morning on "A" range and enthusiasts were able to obtain half an hour's practice on "B" range.

The revolver range was well patronised, 182 pool tickets being sold, and 21 competitors entered for the Services Revolver Championships.

### PROGRAMME TO-DAY

Firing commences to-day on both ranges at 9 a.m. and at 9.30 a.m. the Deliberate Competition will be held. At 11.30 a.m. the final of the Falling Plate will be decided. The Platoon Match, for which there are 10 entries from various regiments in the Colony, will begin at 2 p.m., as will also the Services Revolver Team Match.

The Services' Clay Bird Shooting will take place to-day between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

### RESULTS

Full results of yesterday's shooting were:

#### RAPID FIRING COMPETITION

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#### RAPID FIRE CLASS "M"

Cpl. Berry, R.A.F. 14; Pte. Gordon W. 2/R.S. 12; Cpl. Gash, R.A.F. 12.

#### SNAPSHOOTING COMPETITION

CLASS "X"  
Sgt. Whalley, 2/R.S. 23; RSM. Maizen, R.E. 22; Pte. MacKenzie, 1/Scotforth 17; Pte. Whalley, DRC. 18; Cpl. Hitchen, 2/R.S. 18; Sgt. Mayne, 1/Scotforth 16; Pte. Bullen, 2/R.S. 17; Sgt. Pen. H.K.P. 17; Sgt. Heap, R.N.R.S. 15; R.N.R.S. 15.

## Correspondents, Please Note

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Postmaster General has given notice that all correspondence with persons who are members of crews on board all ships, save those under charter to the Government, must be addressed care of the owners or agents and not care of the General Post Office.

## Altmark Leaves For Kiel

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Nazi hell-ship Altmark of H.M.S. Cossack rescue fame was reported yesterday to have left the Danish island of Langeland which is about 50 miles from Kiel.

## Filipino Club Annual Meeting

The Annual meeting of the Filipino Club, King's Park, will be held in the Clubhouse on Sunday, March 31, at 3.30 p.m.

## Survivors Landed

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Forty-two survivors, including three women and two children, from the Norwegian steamer Cometa, 3,794 tons, were landed at a Scottish port after the ship had been sunk.

## SWISS GIFTS TO FINLAND

ZURICH, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—According to the Swiss press, Switzerland's gifts to Finland so far amount to £280,000.



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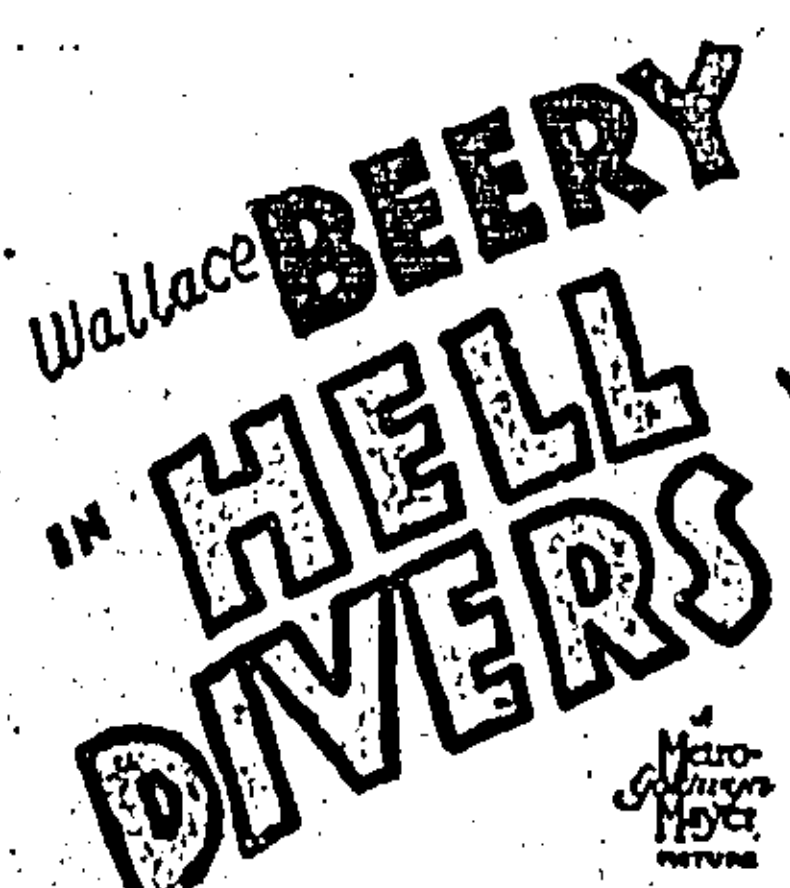
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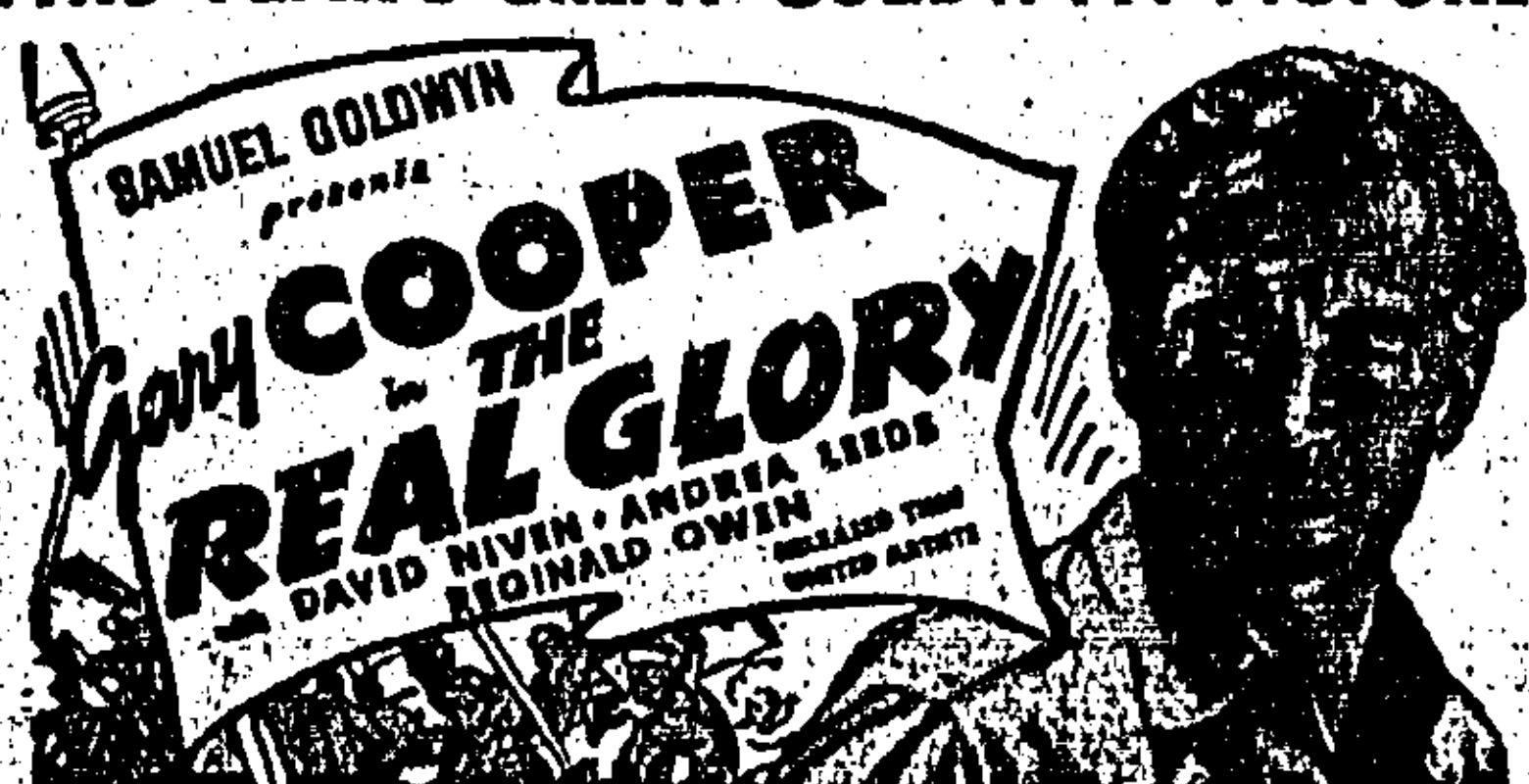
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## Goebbels' Propaganda Plan For Increased Rations Abandoned

ZURICH.

GERMAN rations cannot be increased as the Government had intended, according to an unimpeachable source in Berlin.

At the outbreak of war the rations were fixed at the lowest possible rates, not only because of the urgent necessity for saving, but also as propaganda.

### Inside Germany

## Hotel Meal Costs 30s. In B-r-r-rlin

HOTELS without warmth because of acute coal shortage, and meals at 30s. a head—these are among conditions revealed in letters recently received from Germany.

From one, sent by a neutral resident, it appears that the weather is still bitterly cold and hot water is rationed.

"There is no heat in most apartment houses and hotels, and no water," writes this neutral. "My hotel, one of the best in Berlin, has hot or rather warmish water from 6 to 11 a.m. and a little heat if you are not too particular and keep your hat and coat on."

"At a few places where you can eat anywhere near the style to which you are accustomed, a meal costs from £1 to 30s. at the ordinary rate of exchange. There is no whisky, and beer is 1 per cent. alcohol."

An exhibition named "Warmonger England," opened in Hanover, shows exhibits from the last war, "effects of the hunger blockade, espionage methods and atrocious propaganda."

Pictures show "the effects of the Treaty of Versailles" and British war aims and activities of our "secret service" are depicted. Trophies of this war shown include the aircrew of a British plane said to have been shot down last October.

CAIRO, Mar. 27 (Reuters).—The combined manoeuvres of British, Egyptian and Indian troops began today in the desert south of Cairo.

It was Goebbels' suggestion that the fixed rations should be low enough to allow an increase within a certain time, giving him an opportunity to start a propaganda campaign to demonstrate the growing success of the counter-measures against the British blockade.

### Frost Damaged Stores

A recent meeting of the Nazi Ministry of Food learned that the provision of butter, fats, margarine and oils was becoming increasingly difficult. Although the consumption had been reduced to a minimum, only 50 per cent. of this amount was covered by home produce.

The production of margarine was decreasing because of the blockade, which, as it was openly confirmed in this meeting, had put an end to the German whale shipping trade.

Shortage of unrationed products such as potatoes, fruit, vegetables is causing further complications. As investigation into all storages proved damage by cold and frost estimated at several million marks.

## But mourning is not rationed

THE Reich Garment Bureau in Berlin announced that women may buy mourning without a ration coupon. But the cloth cannot be taken home; the shop must send it to a dressmaker to be made up.

## LATE NEWS

## Recruits In Africa

London, Mar. 27. It is announced in London that recruiting in South Africa after six months of war has not slackened.

The Botha regiment, named after the Union's first Prime Minister, has brought two battalions up to war strength since September and a third battalion is being formed.

The Imperial Light Horse, one of the most popular Johannesburg regiments, also had a start with a third battalion. The 8,000 South Africans actually serving with His Majesty's forces are divided fairly equally between the Navy, Army and Air Force.—Reuters.

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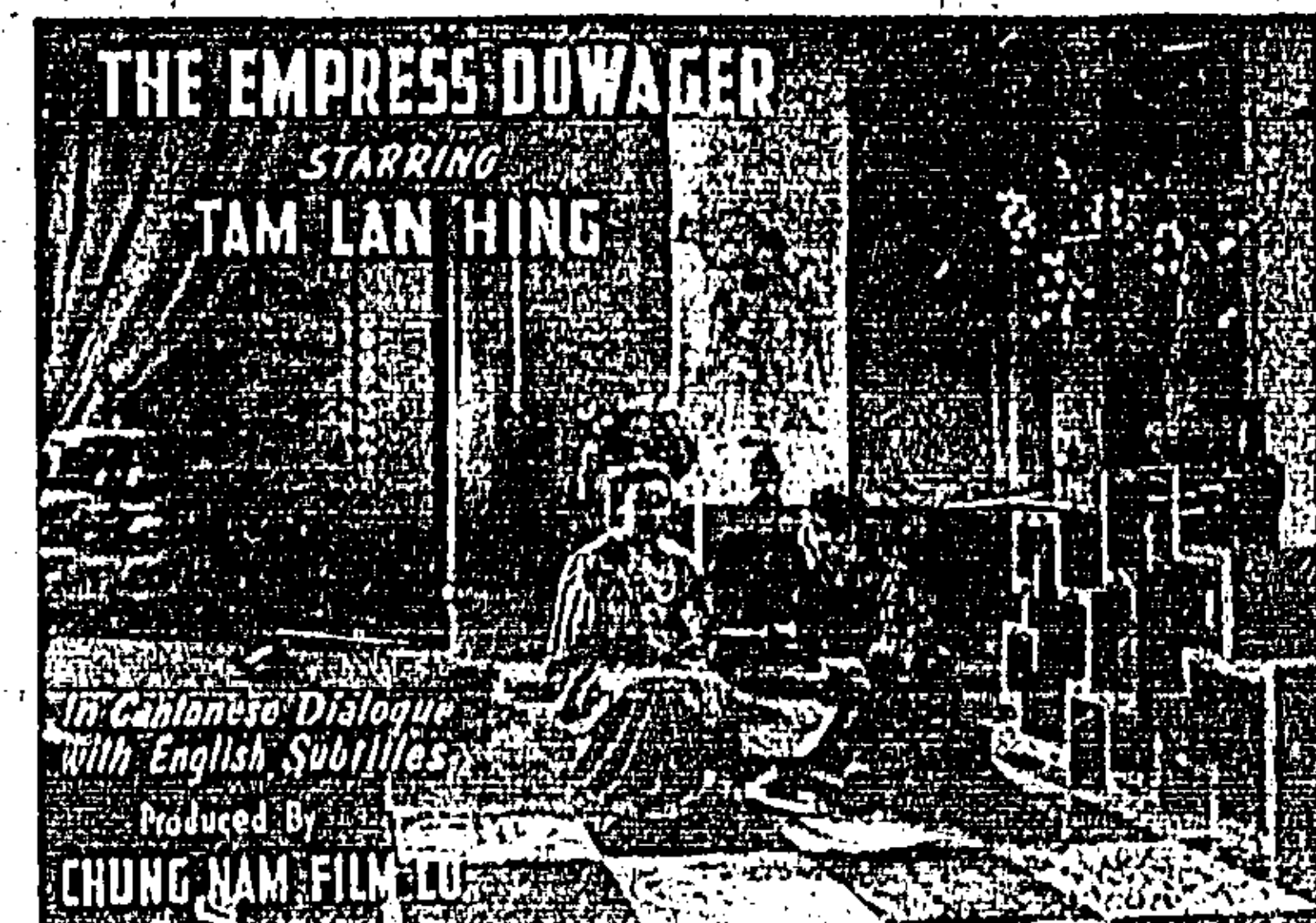


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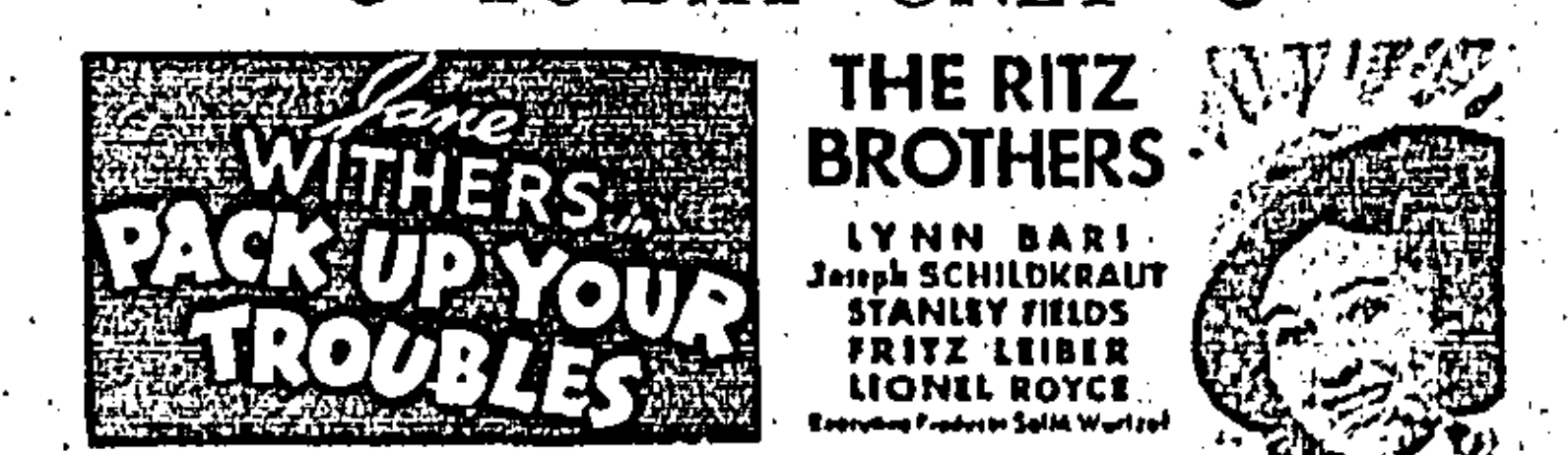
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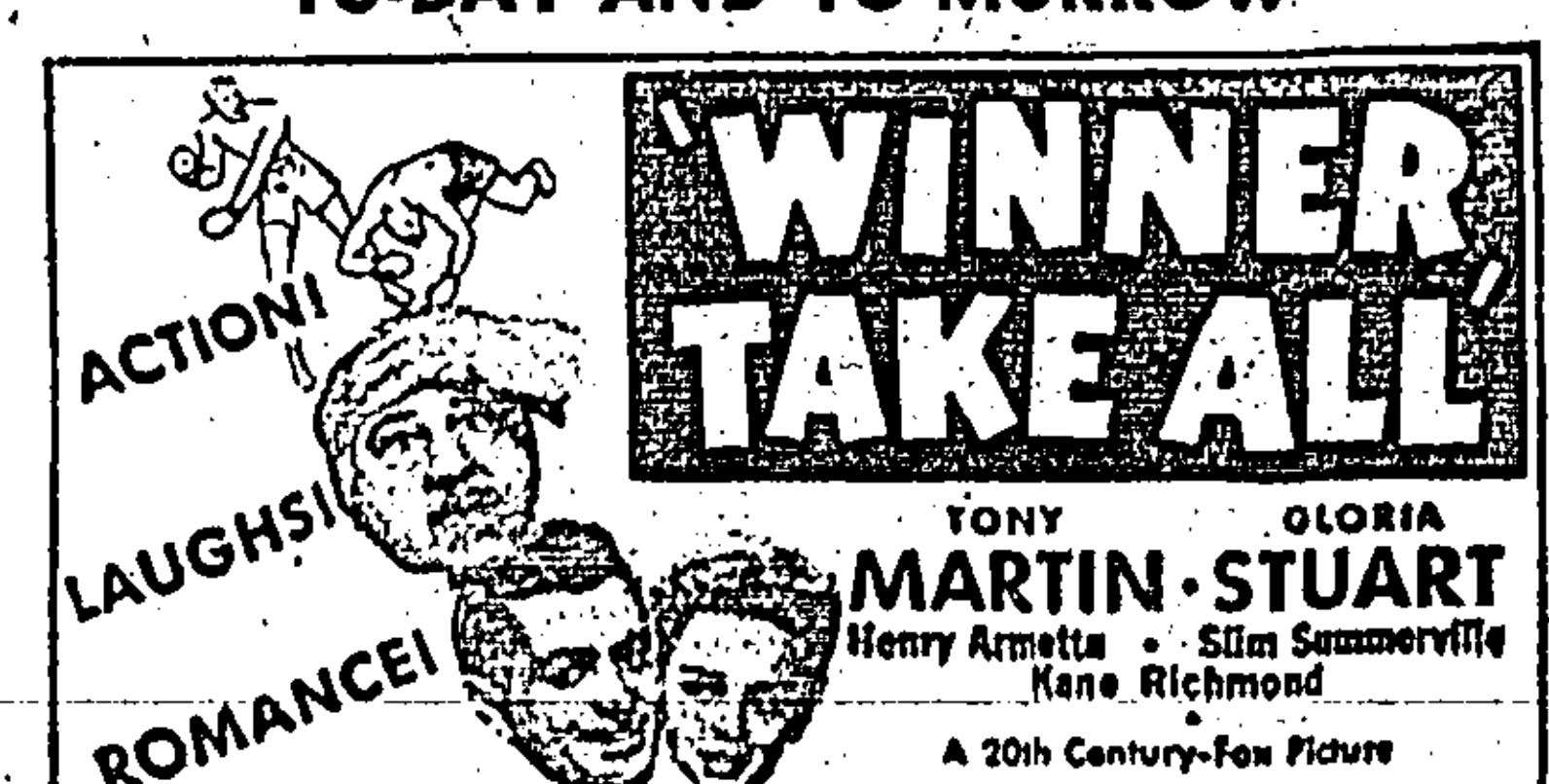


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## HEROISM OF THE SEA

Malta, Mar. 27.

A wonderful piece of seamanship which enabled a small Maltese sailing ship to rescue six sailors from a wrecked British airliner in December was commemorated today by the presentation by the Governor, General Sir Charles Bonham-Carter, of a gold watch to Captain Romand, Italian master of the ship Giuseppe Padre.

## EUROPEAN INJURED

With his fingers crushed, Mr. Jac Henry Bjerkkan, a Norwegian, 23, of the motor ship Canton was taken to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday by Mr. Paul Wikibort of the same vessel. He was detained and his condition was reported to be good.

Mr. Bjerkkan sustained the injuries when he was cut by a wheel on his ship about 1 p.m.

The rescue occurred in darkness on a stormy sea off Sicily and had been described as the achievement of an almost impossible act.—Reuters.

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## King George World's Best Dressed Man

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, March 27 (UP).—King George VI has been voted the world's best dressed man by no less an authority than Norman Hartnell, the famous Australian designer who designed Queen Elizabeth's wardrobe for the American tour.

His Majesty just noted out Mr. Sumner Welles for the title.

### World's Best Dressed

Hartnell, who revolutionised women's dress designs, yesterday prepared a list of the eight best-dressed men in the world for "United Press."

They are:  
King George VI;  
Mr. Sumner Welles;  
Lord Louis Mountbatten;  
Errol Flynn;  
Adolphe Menjou;  
Vivian Cornelli (the British diplomat);  
George Mitchellson, now an officer with the Grenadier Guards somewhere in France.

## CHINESE TAIWAN WOUNDED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Mar. 28 (UP).—Four Chinese gunmen shot and wounded Ma Shao-chien, 46, former member of the Executive Committee of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce at Shanghai and also well known in Hongkong after he left the French Consulate at 8.50 a.m. to-day.

They also wounded Mr. Ma's two bodyguards.

All are expected to recover. The assassins escaped.

## China Squadron Unit Detains Soviet Vessel

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

An urgent "United Press" message from London this morning, stating that the Soviet Ambassador has protested against the detention of Russian vessels in Pacific waters, brings to light the fact that a British warship of the China Squadron has intercepted another vessel for the purposes of Contraband Control.

This is the steamer Mayakovsky.

The naval authorities in Hongkong confirmed that this vessel was detained by a unit of the British Navy, but no additional official details are forthcoming.

The "Telegraph" understands, however, that the ship in question was en route to Vladivostok from the

## France May Recall Envoy, Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Mar. 27 (Domei).—The Paris Bureau of the Associated Press declares that the severance of diplomatic relations between Soviet Russia and France is imminent.

The report states that M. Reynaud, the French Premier, has recalled French Ambassadors from several European capitals for an important conference.

According to the correspondent, the recall of these Ambassadors is a preliminary to the total severance of diplomatic relations between France and Russia.

French newspapers are quoted as stating that Russia must be treated as a hostile Power, and demand that French policy towards the Soviet be orientated to this situation.

### Incident Settled?

MOSCOW, Mar. 28, (Reuter).—As the French objection to M. Souritz, the Soviet Ambassador in Paris, was of a personal character, it is understood that the incident has been settled by his recall.

The U.S.S.R. will now have to decide whether to appoint a new ambassador or leave the Embassy to a Charge d'Affaires.

### Situation in Pacific

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
NEW YORK, Mar. 28, (UP).—The "New York Times" reports that British and French naval authorities in the Far East believe that it is possible that Germany will shortly be enabled to launch submarine raids on Allied and neutral shipping in the Pacific.

The newspaper states that Germany is already constructing a submarine base in certain Soviet islands in the North Pacific, and mentions Bering Island as one point in particular.

### Washington Opinion

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 28, (UP).—Informed quarters in Washington feel that if Great Britain embarks upon a policy of aggressive seizures of Russian ships in the Pacific, the eventual consequences would be unpredictable in view of Russia's favourable strategic position.

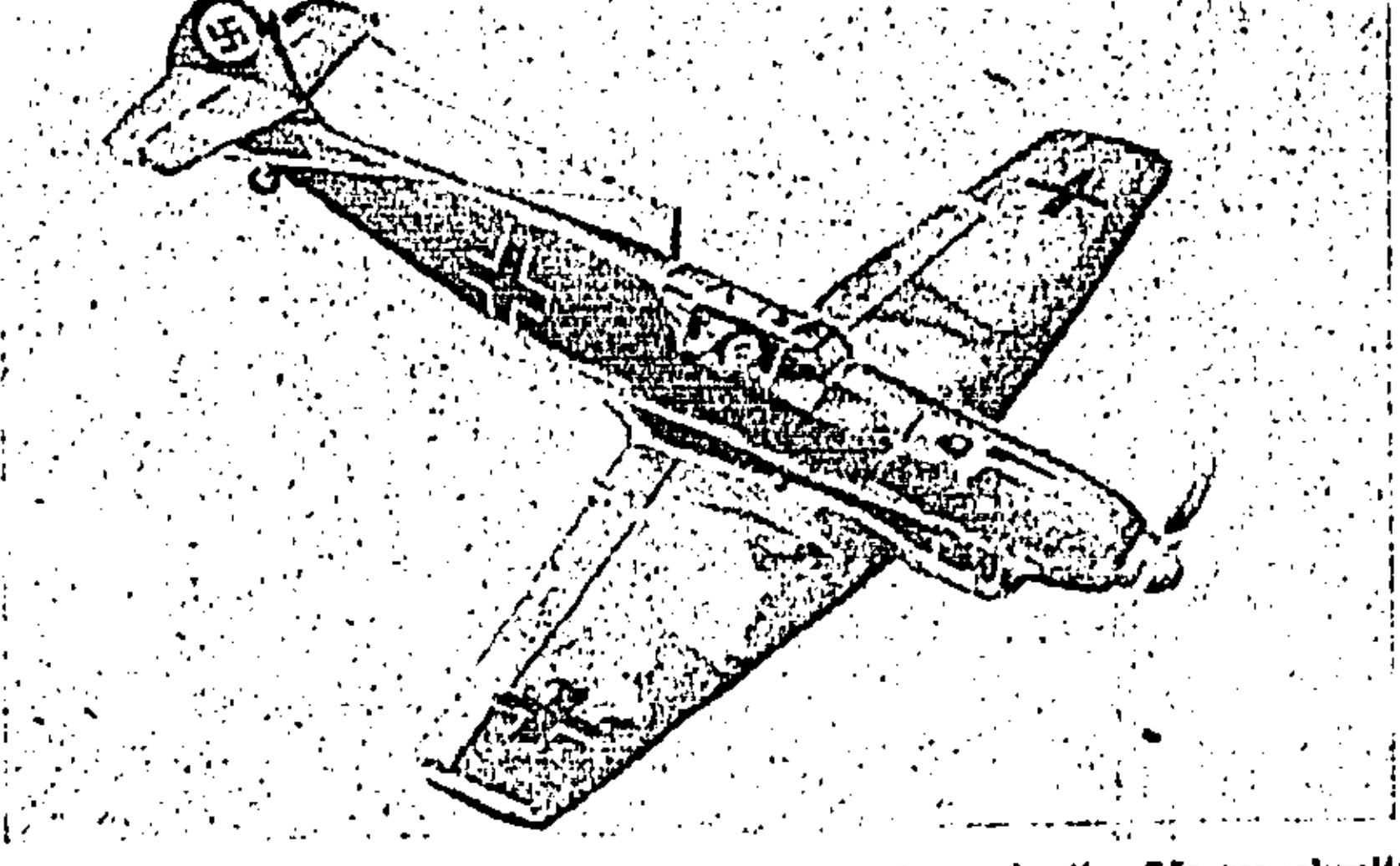
United States with a cargo of copper. It is not known whether she will be brought into Hongkong for examination or be taken to Hanoi or Singapore.

### Noar Japan

The detention is believed to have occurred some ten days ago.

According to a London message the ship was intercepted about 100 miles

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"COPPER" WAS THEIR MASTER.—Pictured above is the Messerschmitt 109, Germany's most famous fighter. Its 20-mm. gun fires shells through the propeller hub.

## Dramatic Rescue Of Crew Of Freighter

## PIRATES FLEE AS WARSHIP APPEARS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HOIHOW, Mar. 27 (Domei).—The dramatic rescue of the crew of the 6,013-ton Panamanian freighter Sananton from pirates after all hope had been abandoned, was related to-day by the Master of the vessel, Captain Godmegg.

The rescue was effected by a Japanese warship, which appeared on the scene in response to the Sananton's S.O.S. signals.

The freighter, stranded on March 21 five miles off Chin-wei-chiao Lighthouse whilst en route from Haiphong to Shanghai with a cargo of coal.

Almost as soon as the vessel went aground it was surrounded by six Chinese junks, loaded with pirates armed with cutlasses and revolvers. The crew of the Panamanian vessel made desperate efforts to ward off the attacking pirates while the radio operator sent out his wireless call for help.

"Just as we had resigned ourselves to the inevitable the Japanese naval vessel appeared," stated Captain Godmegg.

"As soon as the pirates saw the approaching warship they fled. 'I can assure you that we were relieved. We hugged each other in tears.'

"Within a few hours there were five Japanese warships around us and one of them attempted to pass us a line in order to tow us off the reef."

"Although the efforts were successful, a Japanese warship is still standing by, just in case the pirates reappear. At night, the warship keeps its searchlight trained on us."

## SWEDEN SENDS SPIES TO GAOL

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 28 (Reuter).

Sentences ranging from three months imprisonment to three years hard labour were passed on four persons convicted on charges of espionage.

A Swede named Koch was sentenced to three years' hard labour. His mother, who was Russian-born, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

Another Swede named Karlsson and Dr. Michael Willy, German-born, were each sentenced to ten months' hard labour.

A fifth accused, Koch's German-born wife, was acquitted.

## BANK BANDITS SHOT DEAD

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 27 (UP).—The famous international bank robbers, Franz and Eric Sann, who have been serving long terms in a Berlin Prison were shot dead by prison guards to-day for "resisting the police."

The Sann brothers have served prison sentences in Germany and Denmark.

## MUNITIONS ABLAZE

## Berlin Armament Plant In Flames

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 27 (UP).—A fire broke out at 10 o'clock to-night in a German ammunition plant in the industrial suburb of Wilhelmsruh, and blazed for two hours before it put under control by 70 fire brigades.

The Bergmann plant was affected, where small calibre ammunition is manufactured.

After a two-hours blaze, it appeared that the fire had been put under control, although it was still burning at midnight. Seventy-five pieces of fire apparatus were employed to quench the blaze, and police cordons prevented any approach to the area.

Newsmen were told: "No information available."

The flames were visible for several miles and the sky in the northern section of Berlin was a brilliant red.

The German official news agency announced that the flames had completely destroyed sheds filled with wood, but that the fire had been checked before it reached other parts of the factory.

People living in the neighbourhood said they heard explosions inside the factory grounds, apparently from small calibre ammunition.

However, there were no large explosions and at midnight the fire had reduced considerably and isolated to one part of the plant.

## WORLD'S FOURTH LARGEST CITY

SHANGHAI, Mar. 28 (Reuter).

Owing to the present high cost of living, the population of Shanghai is now only 3,890,000 compared with over 5,500,000 two years ago, according to the "Sin Wan Pao."

The reduction is said to be caused by a steady exodus of the poorer classes of Chinese to native villages because of the exorbitant price of daily necessities in Shanghai.

Owing to the war-time exodus from cities like London, Paris and Berlin, Shanghai now stands as the fourth largest city in the world, being exceeded in population only by New York, Moscow and Tokyo.

## N. Z. PILOT BRINGS DOWN TWO RAIDERS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, MAR. 27 (UP).—SOLDIERS IN THE TRENCHES AND FORTIFICATIONS ON BOTH SIDES OF NO MAN'S LAND ON THE WESTERN FRONT WITNESSED A THRILLING AIR DUEL BETWEEN BRITISH AND GERMAN MACHINES ON MONDAY.

News of the air battle has just been released by the censors.

A squadron of R.A.F. pursuit machines intercepted seven Nazi bombers, escorted by an equal number of pursuit planes, which were attempting to reconnoitre the Allied positions.

While the German pursuit planes gave battle, the bombers attempted to continue their reconnaissance operations.

### DEADLY FIRE FROM SPITFIRES

But two Nazi planes were quickly shot down in flames by the deadly and accurate fire of the Spitfires and the Germans thereupon abandoned attempts to fly further into French territory.

One British machine was shot down by the Messerschmitts protecting the Nazi bombers.

The pilot of the Spitfire took to his parachute as soon as his machine started to go into a tail spin, and landed safely behind the Allied lines.

THE RETURN OF GOOD WEATHER ON THE WESTERN FRONT SAW INCREASED AERIAL ACTIVITY ON ALL SECTORS.

In addition to shooting down a British machine in the aerial encounter mentioned above, the German High Command claims that a French machine was shot down elsewhere along the front.

### FIGHT OVER METZ

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).

A War Ministry bulletin from the Headquarters of the British Air Force somewhere in France announces that there was a marked increase in aerial activity yesterday in the neighbourhood of the Metz.

A formation of seven enemy reconnaissance craft, escorted by fighters, was intercepted and engaged by British fighters.

Aerial encounters occurred and our fighters, having broken up the enemy formation, forced the enemy to abandon its reconnaissance.

One British patrol encountered a formation of nine enemy fighters. In the ensuing fight two enemy aircraft were seen descending in flames.

One of our fighters was shot down but the pilot escaped by parachute.

## BRIGADIER ("Dreadnaught") HARRISON DEAD

The "Telegraph" regrets to report the death of Brigadier H.C. ("Dreadnaught") Harrison, former G.S.O. 1 in Hongkong, and well-known in this Colony as former Chairman of the Hongkong Football Association and President of the Hongkong Area Sports Board.

Notification of Brigadier Harrison's death is conveyed in a "Reuter" message received this afternoon.

Whilst in Hongkong Brigadier Harrison was very popular among his fellow-officers, and was also a great favourite with the Volunteers, in whom he infused much of his enterprising spirit and enthusiasm.

He was a keen supporter of the Hongkong Rifle Association. He left Hongkong in April, 1937, to assume command of the 14th Infantry Brigade in Caterick Camp and early in 1938 went to Palestine to take charge of cleaning-up operations against rebel elements in Hebron.

The rapid rise of the late Brigadier Harrison makes his career of particular interest to Hongkong residents.

### Fought in Africa

Born in 1899 he joined the Royal Marines in 1907, was a Major in the South African Contingent and fought

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## N. Zealand Ace Masters Nazi Messerschmitts

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter's Correspondent Somewhere in France).—The R.A.F. brought down at least five enemy planes in France yesterday.

Two others are believed to have been accounted for.

One British fighter was lost.

Three separate battles occurred in the morning, afternoon and early evening when patrolling Hurricanes met German planes of four different types.

The five planes shot down for certain were all of the Messerschmitt and Dornier types.

### N. Zealander's Exploits

"Copper", a 21-year-old New Zealander already famous for his exploits, brought his total "bag" up to five by accounting for two Messerschmitts. This time he narrowly escaped with his life and as he limped about his mess to-day with one leg peppered by shrapnel from cannon shells, he told an amazingly graphic story.

He told how he and two other Hurricane pilots ran into a flight of nine Messerschmitts in the early afternoon. "We took one apiece and down in smoke and flames. Then for a time there was a free-for-all until I got another Messerschmitt and sent him down."

"I looked round and the sky seemed clear. But one of the Messerschmitts was hovering high above, waiting to see how the battle was going to turn out. He swooped on me and the next thing I knew was a terrific bang in front of my eyes. The top of my hood flew away. A great jagged hole appeared in my engine and flames and oil poured into the cockpit."

"I was almost knocked unconscious by the shock, but came to and managed to bale out."

"For a long time I never thought about pulling the slipcord of my parachute. Then I did so and floated down in a kind of daze, enjoying the cool air on my face."

### "This Is Heaven"

"When I had passed through a thick layer of white clouds, I thought

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## LATEST

## MAY TRY TO RUN BLOCKADE

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Rotterdam Correspondent of the "Times" quotes reports from Surabaya, published in the "Nieuw Rotterdam Schiedamsche" and stating that large purchases have recently been made by German agents in the Netherlands East Indies.

Purchases have included rubber, copra, palm oil, kapok and other raw materials, and have been made regardless of cost.

Business circles in Surabaya infer that the German Government intends to try and break the blockade by running cargoes of these goods from the Netherlands East Indies to Vladivostok.

A number of German ships at present lying in Dutch East Indies ports are available for the purpose. Many of the German ships have been sequestered as security for port dues, but if these dues were paid the ships could be made ready for the sea in a very short time.

Russia has also been an active buyer lately in the Dutch East Indies.

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## TURKEY'S FULL ACCORD WITH THE ALLIES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ALEPPO, Mar. 28, (UP).—Complete agreement has been reached at the important conference held this week between military representatives of Great Britain, France and Turkey.







# MAGAZINE PAGE

## ENTERTAINMENTS

### THEY'RE SWINGING "BOOMPS A DAISY"

**"BOOMPS A DAISY"** in Swing Time!  
That is the latest novelty introduced to Hongkong by the Hartnells, Prince and Princess of Swing who are appearing nightly in the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

The old "Boomps," which was introduced here by Dave Harvey, has already swept the Colony.

All the steps are done to swing-time.  
Two "clap hands" instead of one, two "knees," a boomp, a semi-polka swivel and the boy complete the first movement. The old waltz is replaced by the "truck," and the dance is completed.

There is very little difference, actually, to the old-style "Boomps A Daisy," but that difference peps up the dance to an extraordinary degree. It has to be seen—and, more important, to be danced—to be appreciated.

During this week, the Hartnells are demonstrating both the swing "Boomps A Daisy" and "Knees Up, Mother Brown," the novelty dance which they introduced last week.

I have just been reading the latest papers from home about the way in which "Knees Up, Mother Brown" is sweeping the country. It was introduced in London on December 12, so Hongkong is well up-to-date.

You'll recall that the dance was pictorially illustrated on this page last Wednesday.

Fredric and Sandra Hartnell give four numbers at the Casino this week in addition to the demonstrations of the two novelty numbers which, incidentally, have proved

## WHAT'S ON

**QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA:** "The Empress Dowager" (Chinese film).

**KING'S:** "Hell's Kitchen."

**MAJESTIC:** "Hell Divers."

**ORIENTAL:** "Hawaiian Nights."

so popular that there has been no hesitation on the part of spectators in joining in.

They announce a change of programme for Saturday night, when the Management of the Hongkong Hotel announces a 2 p.m. gala.

The highly successful season of the Hartnells is drawing to a close at the Gripps.

Usually, the Hongkong dance season also draws to a close somewhere around about the end of March.

But I have some good news for patrons of the Gripps.

Dave Harvey and the Dyer Sisters, one of the most successful teams to visit this Colony, are returning for another short season, which will commence on Saturday, April 5.

Since leaving Hongkong, they have played a prolonged season in Manila.

Harvey planned to return to India after completing a few weeks in Manila.

But he has been as popular in the Philippines capital as he was in Hongkong and has extended his season to such an extent that plans have had to be altered.

The management of the Hongkong Hotel have received many

enquiries regarding this popular team, and have been able to arrange for them to play a return season in Hongkong before leaving the East.

THE BRITISH War Organisation Fund should benefit materially from the A.D.C.'s production of "Tony Draws a Horse," which opens at the China Fleet Club Theatre for a four-night season on Wednesday next week.

The cast includes Sunny Hole, Claude Burgess, Shellah Mackinlay, James Whitlam, Beryl Fair, J. Roberts, Sam Pringle, Auguste Hoffmeister, Olive Green, Andrew Mackinlay, Anne Dowling, Gell-ton Gilmore, Peggy Chubb and Amadee de Boysson.

"Tony Draws a Horse" is still running in London at the Comedy Theatre, where it opened over six months ago. The play is by Lesley Storm.

Incidentally, Hongkong's A.D.C. shortly celebrates its centenary—in four years time, to be exact. It was formed three years after Hongkong became a British Colony.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



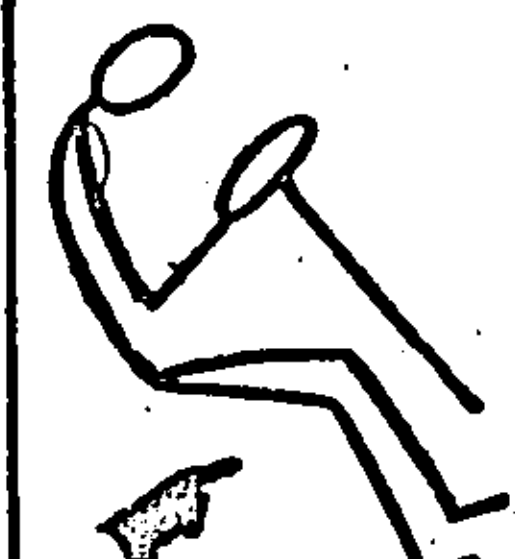
"We must first be sure what we feel is really love, Elwyn—not merely a deficiency of hormones A to D."

## MOTORING

### LEARN TO DRIVE



RIGHT



WRONG



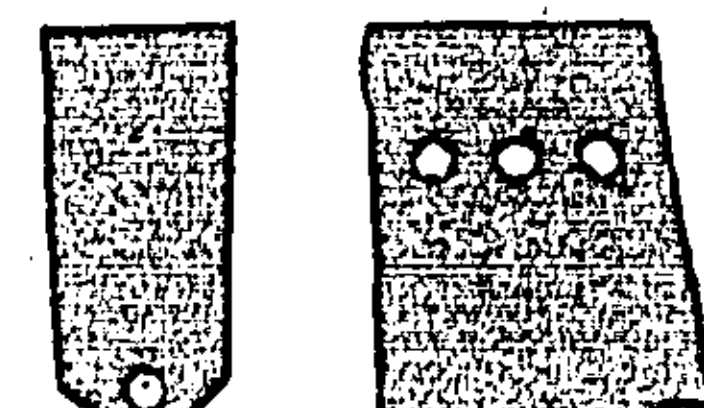
WRONG

The golden rule is to sit naturally erect with the lower part of the back firmly supported and the seat so adjusted that both clutch and brake pedals can be fully depressed without loss of body leverage in the hips. Hold the steering wheel rim lightly with both hands just below the centre, keeping the wrists supple and the hands ready on the instant to grip firmly in emergency.

Never slump back in the seat. It limits the range of vision and slows down physical responses to road conditions. Control by two or three fingers of one hand on the wheel is inadequate at any time. Be comfortable, but alert.

The top-and-bottom grip limits steering control and should never be adopted. This driver could not make a right-hand turn without altering the position of both hands.

## Spotting the Rank



MIDSHIPMAN

A Midshipman is not a commissioned officer, but an officer under training, and is officially classed as a "subordinate officer."

Both Midshipmen and Naval Cadets wear buttons instead of stripes on their cuffs. They are distinguished from each other by the white patches officially known as "turnbacks," worn by Midshipmen on the coat lapels.

Unkind (and doubtless untrue) tradition has it that the buttons were placed on the cuffs to prevent these youthful officers from using a cuff in lieu of a handkerchief! Probably the same tradition is the origin of the nickname "Snotty," by which the Midshipman is universally known afloat.

Midshipmen are carried only in big ships, though it is customary to "lend" them for two or three months at a time to destroyers in order that they may gain useful experience in this class of vessel.

Actually the term "Midshipman" dates from Elizabethan times, but it was then applied to a certain type of rating whose station in action was amidst-

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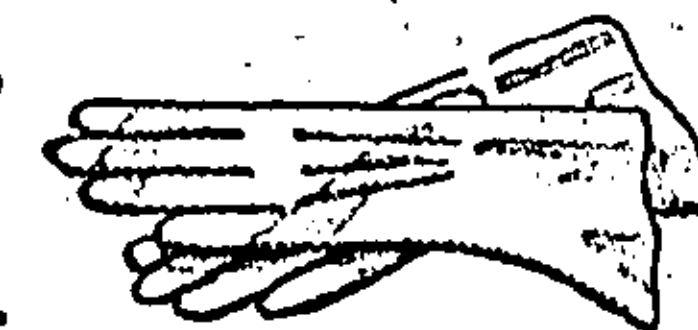
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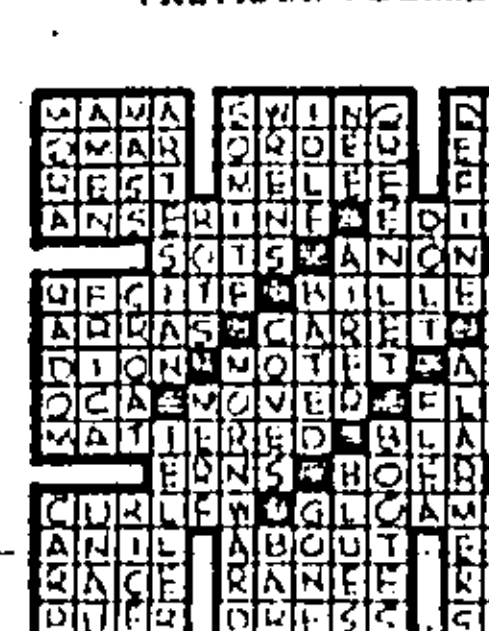
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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

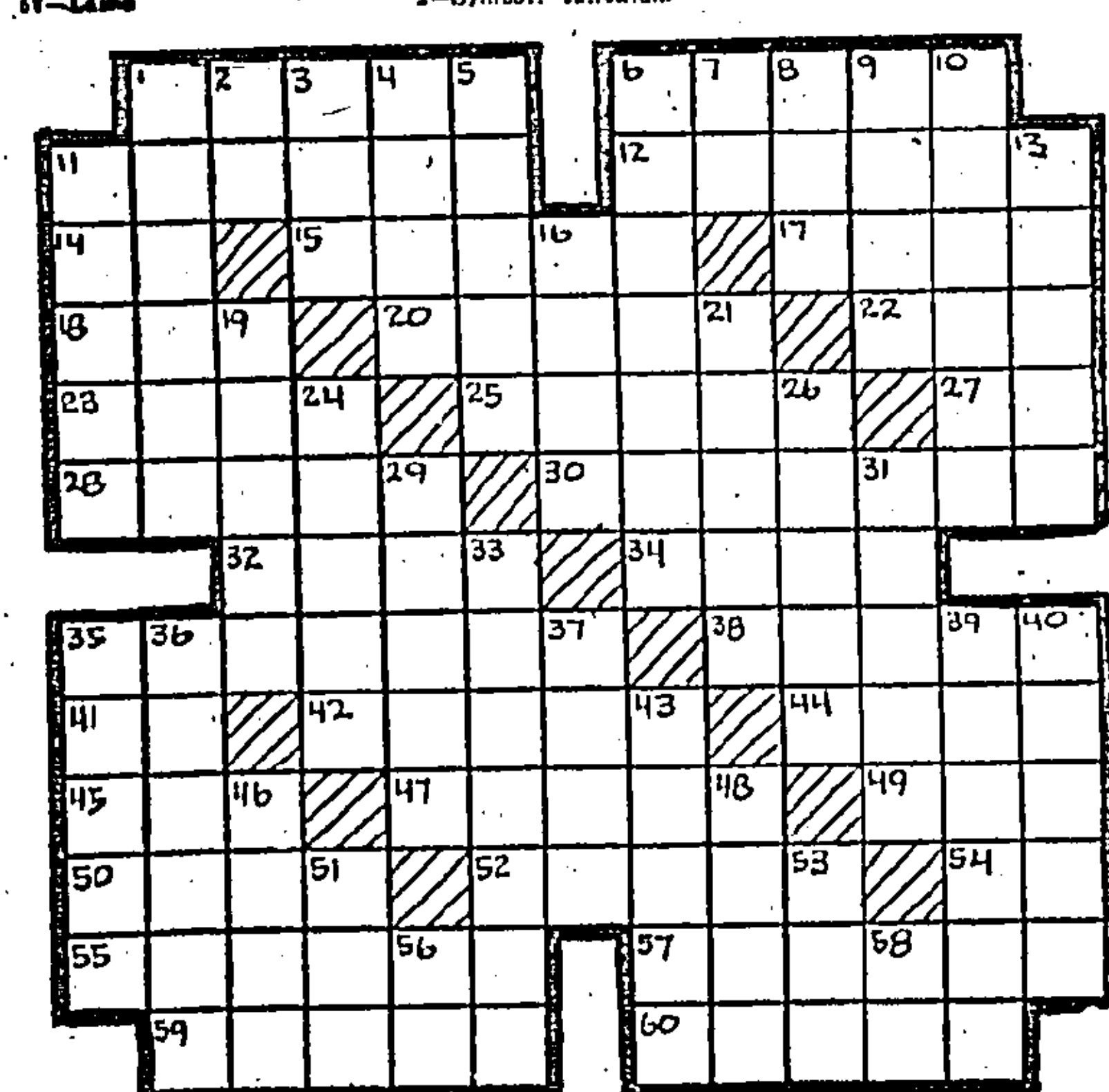
- ACROSS
- 1—Crested settlement (10)
  - 2—Respond to public (10)
  - 3—Table wine (10)
  - 4—Trapped (10)
  - 5—D in O scale (10)
  - 6—Father (10)
  - 7—Girl's name (10)
  - 8—Animal (10)
  - 9—Tubes (10)
  - 10—Air chairman (10)
  - 11—Bill of land (10)
  - 12—Challenger (10)
  - 13—Of (French) (10)
  - 14—Insights of humor (10)
  - 15—With colored bands (10)
  - 16—At any time (10)
  - 17—Treaty (10)
  - 18—Scattered (10)
  - 19—Heavenly bodies (10)
  - 20—Overlaid (10)
  - 21—Opposing teams (10)
  - 22—Wink (10)
  - 23—Toss of thigh (10)
  - 24—Apostrophe (10)
  - 25—Decline (10)
  - 26—Complete (10)
  - 27—Standing (10)
  - 28—Printer's measure (10)
  - 29—Lately with scuffs (10)
  - 30—Same (10)

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



DOWN

- 1—Paras by (10)
- 2—Symbol: centulum (10)
- 3—Constellation (10)
- 4—Hope over (10)
- 5—Dial (10)
- 6—Anagrams (10)
- 7—Occupied with (10)
- 8—Hired (10)
- 9—God of love (10)
- 10—Make fun of (10)
- 11—Stead to be true (10)
- 12—Bowing (10)
- 13—Indicated (10)
- 14—Watering places (10)
- 15—Church officer (10)
- 16—Walters (10)
- 17—Chief edgers (10)
- 18—Stud deposits (10)
- 19—Kind of machine-gun (10)
- 20—Greek philosopher (10)
- 21—Drive back (10)
- 22—Drecher (10)
- 23—Educated (10)
- 24—Stimulant (10)
- 25—Dry vein (10)
- 26—Destined (10)
- 27—Small fish (10)
- 28—Annoyance (10)
- 29—Mark of wound (10)
- 30—Overture (10)
- 31—Attempt (10)
- 32—Exalt (10)
- 33—Liver (10)



## Beating the Censor...

LETTERS coming out of Germany are supposed to be strictly censored. Most of them are, but important items of news still trickle through to the outside world, the writers often using the simplest devices to fool the censor.

Here are a few typical and genuine examples:

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When Hitler upset thousands of Baltic Germans by ordering them to return to the Reich, some of them invented ingenious devices to cheat the Nazi censor.

One of the repatriated Balts, for instance, extremely unhappy in his new German home, wrote to his brother in Riga, Latvia:—"Everything is very nice here, but I suggest you postpone your departure for Germany until after Jan's wedding."

Jan, the girl referred to in this letter, was only two years old. Another repatriated Balt tried a similar method to convey to friends at home the true state of things in Nazi Germany. He wrote:—"We have not seen our old friend Mr. Sviestas since we arrived."

Sviestas is the Lettish word for

butter. But the German censor did not know that.

British newspaper correspondents some time ago tried to get through to their newspapers the news that one of the Nazi leaders was seriously ill:—"He has been visited by six Harley-street men," they wired to London. The Nazi censor, who was anxious not to let anything leak out about this illness, passed the message. He did not know enough about London to understand what "Harley-street" stands for in England.

Last year Jewish families in Germany were constantly writing to friends abroad: "My poor husband (or son, or brother) has had to go on holiday."

It took us a long time to find out why the holiday-makers were so unhappy. In the end we realised that the "holiday" was really a spell in a concentration camp.

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In one German area, an ex-schoolteacher was made a Nazi censor. People who wanted to send messages abroad knew his weaknesses for correcting spelling mistakes in every letter which passed through his hands.

So the writers made a series of spelling mistakes in their letters,

and believe it or not the school-teacher-censor concentrated so much on correcting them that he never bothered about the meaning of the messages.

Much of my news from Germany used to be written in the hand of a six or seven-year-old boy. Censors never bother to read children's letters.

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There was a time when every Berlin paper carried thrilling stories about the exploits of two criminal brothers by the name of Sasa.

A week later flames shot up from the Berlin Reichstag building. The Nazis accused the Communists of firing the Reichstag. But we knew that the Nazis themselves were the real culprits. I wired to my Editor in Vienna:—"Brothers Sasa fired Reichstag."

He understood me and our paper next day carried a huge headline:—"S.A. and S.B. (Brownshirts and Black Guards) fired the Reichstag."

We had beaten the censor successfully, for he would never have dared to pass a bald message containing such an accusation.

Willi Frischauer

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## ALLIES IN NEAR EAST

N.Y. Paper Analyses  
Advantages Gained

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—A "Washington Post" analysis prepared for the Foreign Policy Association says: "The British and French won the first round for control of the Near East without serious opposition by the totalitarian Powers. The Allies now hold strategic points, the principal lines of communication and the economic resources in the Near East to the disadvantage of Germany, Russia and Italy."

The paper also refers to the steadily increasing Allied military forces in the Near East and discussing Rumania. It says: "Britain has left no doubt of her intentions to take drastic measures if oil continues to be supplied to Germany."

**Nazis Problem**  
The Cleveland "Plain Dealer" says: "The Soviet Union cannot supply Germany with sufficient quantities of the three most vital raw materials—petroleum, vegetable oil and manganese—to conduct war. The chief drawback is transportation. 'Stalin would not hesitate to deprive his own people if he believed that by under the Third Reich he was at the same time advancing the political interests of his regime.' But even were he so inclined, he would be handicapped by the inadequacy of Russian railroads and shipping lanes open to Russia."

**Significant Loss Of Oil**  
The "New York Sun" says that the sinkings of German ore vessels are of great significance. "These exports represent the opening guns of the campaign to cut off the Reich's supplies of one product vitally necessary for the prosecution of the war. If the British succeed in closing this route, their action may have catastrophic consequences for Hitler's embattled Reich."

"The difficulties of transporting ore, if British submarines succeed in sinking them, may become insuperable." The Rio de Janeiro paper, "Journal do Brazil," examining the possibility of reconstruction of the British Labour leaders, said that greater efficiency and solidarity.

Another Rio de Janeiro paper, "Journal de Commercio," appreciates the remodelled French Cabinet as a source of greater strength.

"O'Journal" suggests a possible connection between the United States decision to sell 500 Army planes to the Allies and the failure of Mr. Sumner Welles' mission.

**Lord Samuel's Views**  
LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Lord Samuel, broadcasting the impressions of his recent tour to Cyprus, Palestine and Egypt, said that the countries he visited were more at peace in wartime than they had been in peacetime.

Their local controversies, he said, had quieted down. "Throughout that part of the world," he continued, "all parties and all sections in all countries are of one mind about the war."

Turkey and Greece, Egypt and Palestine, Cyprus and Syria, and further away Iraq and the Hedjaz are a solid block of territory in which the rulers and the ruled everywhere take the same view on the dominant question of the day—the first time for many years that this has been so.

All are against Germany. "All are deeply concerned that no aggressive totalitarian states should obtain the controlling influence in the eastern Mediterranean."

"Every section, therefore, is anxious not to do anything that would hinder the war effort of Britain and France."

## Dutch Ship Is Feared Lost

Believed Victim Of Nazi Operations

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—It is feared that a lengthy "A" Netherlands ship is believed to be at war.

She is the 400 ton coastal ship Sabu of which nothing has been heard for a week. She had a crew on board of seven. The Sabu reported that she was being attacked by a German plane in the North Sea three weeks ago and that she had been damaged.

It is presumed that the damage rendered her unseaworthy and that she sank while trying to get home.

**Trawlers Refuse To Sail**  
AMSTERDAM, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The crews of ten Netherlands trawlers refused yesterday to put to sea.

Great alarm has been caused by a German warship and they report that they were taken to the naval base of Borkum where their ships' papers and their passports were examined.

They were then released and told not to fish east of 4 degrees East Longitude.

This means that they cannot fish in Dutch home waters.

The line runs almost along the whole of the Dutch coast from 10 to 50 miles out.

## Britain To Ignore Wang Ching-wei

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent learns that although it is inevitable that some foreign business interests will, of necessity, have to work in with the new Government in China under Wang Ching-wei, so far as the British authorities are concerned it is understood that their attitude will be one of complete non-recognition.

## NAZI "HELL-SHIP" REACHES KIEL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 27 (UP).—The Nazi hell-ship Altmark, from which 400 tortured British seamen were rescued on February 17 by H.M.S. Cossack, made a very subdued entrance into Kiel harbour to-day.

Admiral Raeder originally planned an uproarious welcome for the Nazi prison ship, whose British prisoners were to have marched through the streets in a triumphal procession.

The Altmark went aground in Norwegian waters after attempting to ram H.M.S. Cossack. She was refloated with the aid of other Nazi vessels, the British Navy making no attempt to interfere with the vessel once the Britons were rescued.

Of the 400 Britons rescued from the Altmark, over fifty had to be taken to hospital, some with ulcerated stomachs. One stretcher case had tetanus. Conditions aboard the hell-ship were described as being absolutely filthy.

## Planes For Foreign Powers U.S. Experts Solve Problem

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (UP).—Mr. Harry Woodring, Secretary of War, Mr. Louis Johnson, Assistant Secretary of War, General George Marshall, Chief of Staff and Major General H. Arnold, Chief of the Air Corps, testified before the House Military Affairs Committee to-day, and said they had agreed to a new policy for selling the latest model war planes to foreign powers which will give the United States unequalled production capacity to meet her own needs in any emergency.

They said the United States will be able to produce 14,000 planes annually beginning this year.

The chairman of the Committee, Rep. Andrew May, said: "This is a complete answer to the critics of such sales." He added that the testimony has closed the inquiry without objection.

Mr. Woodring assured the Committee that no military secrets would be divulged. "The United States now has possibly a half dozen planes superior to any in the world," he declared.

**No Secrets Disclosed**  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Secretary for War, Mr. Harry H. Woodring, testified before the House of Representatives' Military Committee that the Government's new policy of permitting the export of the latest American planes was designed to keep the United States air force constantly supplied with modern equipment.

Military secrets would not be disclosed nor would the United States air expansion be delayed.

Mr. Woodring said the United States War Department possessed possibly six types of planes superior to any other in the world.

The War Department was adjusting the foreign sales policy in various ways, including a stipulation that designs owned by the Department or by manufacturers over whom the Department had control would not be released for manufacture or detailed assembly abroad.

Mr. Woodring added that he had worked out this new policy "without coercion or pressure from anybody."

High army officials testified that the present expansion of production facilities indicated that the United States would be able to manufacture between 30,000 and 40,000 planes yearly by the end of 1940.

The Committee gave indirect approval to the Government's foreign sales policy.

Later several plane manufacturers met Government officials to work out plans for expediting foreign orders.

**Allies' Purchases**  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Several hundred reserve planes now being built for the United States army are expected to be sold for immediate delivery to the Allies.

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Lord and Lady Willington, who represented the British Government at the New Zealand centennial celebrations, returned home by air yesterday.

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## R.A.F. SINK NAZI SHIP

Patrol Vessel Is Caught Napping

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that during reconnaissance of the North Sea to-day, aircraft of the R.A.F. Coastal Command attacked and sank an enemy patrol vessel.

The patrol vessel was sunk in the eastern part of the North Sea. The attack was carried out in the face of intense A.A. fire.

Four ships were seen close together, and the pilots selected one as their target. They dived and released their bombs.

**Direct Hit On Deck**  
The rear gunner of one of the aircraft saw a salvo of bombs burst directly on deck. There was a big explosion before the flame and smoke died down.

The British flew into a cloud to escape the storm of retaliatory fire, and when they emerged the crews saw only three ships.

One pilot said: "Where the ship had been, there was only a mass of frothy water."

## Count Teleki's Talk Mystery

Seen As Sequel To The Brenner Meeting

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Commenting on the visit to Rome of Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime Minister, and his long conversation with Signor Mussolini, the diplomat correspondent of the BBC comments that no one outside the two governments concerned can know exactly what took place nor the reasons which prompted Count Teleki to go to Rome soon after the Brenner Pass meeting.

The latter, however, probably gives the clue to the situation, Hungary is vitally interested in the relations existing between Italy and Germany. Whatever designs Germany may have on her or on any other Balkan or Danubian state her actions must depend on the attitude of other interested Powers.

Italy has made it clear often enough that she is one of the first to be considered.

It may well be that Count Teleki wanted to satisfy himself that the Brenner Pass meeting between Hitler and Mussolini had not upset the balance of forces on which Hungary depends.

## FINNISH SPIRIT STILL ALIVE

Stirring Message By The President

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—In a message to the retiring Government, President Kaallio described the Soviet peace terms as "immoderate," but added that the people and Parliament had realised that even an onerous peace was preferable to years of sanguinary war in the face of great odds.

President Kaallio warmly paid tribute to the outgoing Government for its endeavours to secure munitions during the war.

**The Foundation Stones**  
"The defensive capacity of our Army is quite different from what it was at the beginning of the war," he said. "It is true that our country is mutilated—a matter which we mourn—but the Finnish people, alive to their duty, our independence and our Army still exist."

"These are the foundation stones on which we shall continue to build our future," he concluded.

## Vosges Activity

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—To-day's communique says that there was marked activity of artillery on both sides to the west of the Vosges.



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publicaine Band; Ouvre Ton Coeur (Bizet); Nuit D'Espagne (Massenet); Georges Thill (Tenor) with Maurice Faure at the Piano; L'Arlesienne Suite No. 2 (Bizet); Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra; Lied (Chabul, Mendes and Chabrier); Clair De Lune (Verlaine and Faure); Jane Bathori (Mezzo-Soprano) accompanying herself at the Piano; Werther—O Nature Pleine De Grace (Herold); Georges Thill (Tenor) with Orchestra; La Marseillaise.... La Garde Republicaine Band.

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10.30 Dance Music.

11.0 Close down.

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Danish Outcry Against Nazi Sea Warfare

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—On Tuesday night in the Danish Parliament every member rose when the Prime Minister expressed the nation's grief at the destruction of seven Danish ships within the past eight days and the loss of 80 lives by Nazi submarines and mines.

The Prime Minister condemned Germany's actions against the neutrals and her refusal to respect their right to carry on trade which is essential for their very existence.

As a result of the Nazi sea warfare Danish exports have fallen, while the prices for imported goods have risen so high that Government will now have to impose heavy new taxes.

## U.S. And Foreign War Propaganda

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has unanimously approved a resolution establishing a special committee of seven members for investigation of foreign war propaganda in the United States.

Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, said that one of the practical effects of the approval of the resolution would be to serve notice to foreign governments that any propaganda activities which they encountered would be subjected to minute scrutiny.

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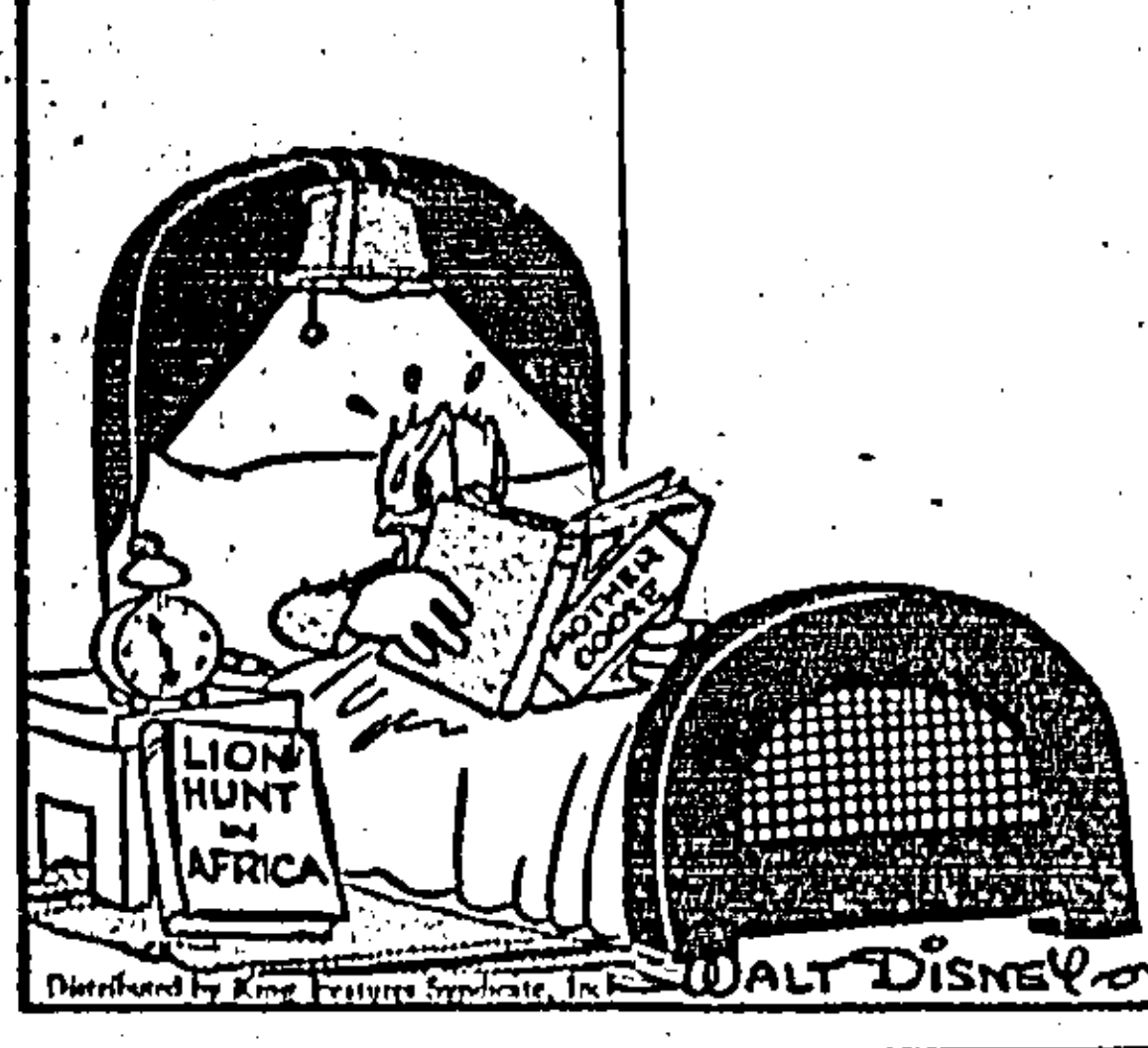
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### Nazi Super-Man

Dr. Ley, the leader of the Nazi Labour Front, repeats what he has often said before, that Poles and Jews are mere vermin, to be exterminated so that the superior race, the Germans, may have room to live. A German, he insists, could never live in the same conditions as a Pole or a Jew.

What sort of life, then, does this superman live? The question has been answered in various books, written by men who have Nazi hierarchy. One of the latest which throws light on those dark places is "Hitler's Twelve Apostles," by Oswald Dutch, describing the character and exploits of the chiefs of the clique which Hitler has gathered round him.

This Ley, nick-named "the Jailer of the German Workers" when German working men were still free to speak their minds, is acknowledged to be the champion toper of the Party. "He is best found in the ale-house from which the loudest laughter issues, but it is also common knowledge in the Party that when Ley is urgently wanted all that is necessary to produce him is to ring up his favourite taverns.

"Although he is married, and, as an organiser of the German Labour Front is busy day in and day out, he is hardly ever to be found at home in the evening or early hours of the night; he is always at some inn or another. It has repeatedly happened that not only has Ley had to be brought home dead drunk in his service car, but also he has even attended important Party meetings not entirely sober. Since, however, in the Party drinking is a peculiarity which, even if it is carried to excess, does not in any case cast a slur on the offender, Dr. Ley's love of beer and wine has aided rather than injured his reputation."

And as for his other qualities, they are much the same as those of most of the notorious twelve. When Ley destroyed the German Trade Unions and established the Labour Front in their place, he did so with the utmost violence and shamelessness. The "brutal fist and the point of the bayonet" made his success possible.

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# MURDER BEFORE BREAKFAST

JACK SANDERS has gone home. He doesn't want to work in a lightship any more. He wants a job where he gets a gun.

And this is why:—

It was early on a stormy, miserable North Sea morning.

The East Dudgeon lightship was riding a swollen, swelling sea. Jack Sanders, 5ft. 0ins. and 12st. 0lbs., had just come up on deck to take his turn in keeping watch with young George Jackson.

They were great friends these two. After a few minutes they heard airplane engines. Then down out of the clouds came a Heinkel bomber and swooped just over their mast-head. Even then they weren't terribly alarmed, for Nazis had sometimes flown over the ship before and waved a greeting.

But when it circled round they ran for cover under the after-part of the deckhouse. George Jackson and three others of the crew had seen this happen before. They knew what was probably coming.

AND sure enough there came a burst of machine-gun fire. The German came over a third time and dropped a bomb.

Seeing the way it fell the crew made for shelter in the bows.

One of them, Bell, was a sick man, but the skipper had to order him to get dressed and stand by.

The plane circled round and dropped another bomb, then a salvo of four.

It was murder, crouching there in the bows with not even a shotgun to defend themselves with.

And the German was getting nearer. His seventh dropped not much more than ten yards from the ship. The eighth smashed right through the port lifeboat and exploded under the stern.

She jumped almost clean out of the sea, and as she wallowed back they found themselves waist deep in swirling, icy water.

The deck rail went overboard and all the glass in the big lantern started rattling back. The ship was listing badly to starboard.

THEY stuck it for half an hour, and it was obviously no use trying to stay any longer. They ran for the remaining boat and put off.

The Nazis circled round three or four times to make sure they were going back to the ship, and made off in a northerly direction.

Then they pulled back and young George Jackson went inboard to get the lifeboat equipment box and emergency stores.

They were wet and freezing cold, but very hopeful. They didn't talk much.

Some one started singing "Roll out the barrel"—and some one else told him to shut up.

THE skipper, Mr. George, a tough, compactly built man of about fifty-four, was at the tiller. His plan was to run for the Humber, and his job was a difficult one; for with the seas that were running they were in much danger of being swamped if she got broadside on to them.

As it was, two men were kept bailing all the time.

Sanders and Bert Rumsby were pulling, and the other three were up in the bows.

Bell was too ill to do anything. He had been seasick ever since he came aboard the previous Thursday. Sanders didn't even know his name until the police told him afterwards.

"They were a very nice crowd," says Jack Sanders.

"Herbert Rumsby, very quiet but very nice. About forty-five, I suppose, up to you 'SAVING LIVES' 'good' est men you could wish to be with, a man nearly fifty. I'd been shipmates with him before—nine years. I've been in lightships—and Bardsley Boulton too, he was a nice chap, about forty-four, I think.

"Then Dick Norton, he was a good old sort, must have been about fifty-five. I lived alongside him, home in Yarmouth, for two years."

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You read a week ago of German air raids along a 400-mile line off the east coast of Britain. One of the victims was the East Dudgeon lightship. At the time, the attack on this defenceless craft was told in a few words. Read, to-day, the dramatic story of the only man in a crew of eight who escaped

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## ANTHONY COTTERELL

drink of water, but the bung had got knocked out of the keg and the water had all run away.

They didn't feel much like eating; they were too busy watching the horizon.

It began to get dark. Harry Davis took Jack Sanders's place at the oar. It was the first break for Sanders that day. He began to nod.

But after twenty minutes Davis had to give up; he was too tired and frozen to go on. Sanders said, "Well, get back, old chap," gave him a clap on the back and he fell back into the water on the floor of the boat.

THEY went on pulling. The worst thing of all was the darkness.

They were beginning to reach their limit. They had been rowing in heavy seas all day and most of the night. The skipper ordered them to touch the anchor over. They did it touched bottom, and they knew they must be somewhere near land.

They should have been warned by the sound of the breakers, but these were drowned by the heavy surf which had been chasing them all day long.

And these white tops were to be their ruin. A cross current caught them and three great waves came smacking down.

They jumped to right the boat for the first one. "Start bailing out," shouted the skipper.

"But before we could move the second one struck us," says Sanders. "We're on a shoal, skipper," I heard young George Jackson shout. Then the third one simply upped the boat and threw us all out into the water.

# £4000 A MINUTE

## The Cost of Totalitarian War

THE Chancellor's revelation that the war is costing this country at least £6,000,000 a day—just over £4,000 a minute—is sufficiently impressive proof of the enormous burden twentieth century totalitarian hostilities place on the belligerents.

Actually that is not the end of the story, because when Britain is fully into her war stride the cost will most probably rise to half as much again.

As a measure of the extent of the national effort £6,000,000 is more dramatic than final. For, although expressed in sterling of present day purchasing power, it is actually greater than the daily expenditure in the latter days of the Great War. It represents a materially smaller fraction of the national income than 21 years ago.

A well-known economist, Mr. Colin Clark, now Government statistician in Queensland, estimates that in 1918 Great Britain was devoting to war purposes 60 per cent. of the current national income. So far in this war only about 40 per cent. is being devoted to them. Furthermore—and this is greatly in our favour—he reckons that the present productive capacity of British industry is half as large again as it was in 1918. Therefore the expenditure on the present scale could be continued for a number of years without undue burdens.

### The Tax-payer's Load

This policy, however, would drag out the conflict. Britain's aim is to throw the whole weight of her resources into the struggle to bring it to a speedy conclusion, and it is plain that £6,000,000 a day by no means represents our maximum effort.

The financial side of the present war very much resembles that of the Great War. The upward sweep of expenditure is following much the same course. In September it was £5,250,000 a day, and it will soon be 25 per cent. greater than that.

It is interesting to compare the expenditure curves of the Great War and the present war. They show striking resemblances, which are likely to continue. The seven million mark will soon be passed, and in the course of little more than a year the seven millions may reach eight millions, and even nine millions a day.

Most far-sighted economists hope, for the sake of posterity, that we shall be able to raise a larger proportion of this out of the current taxation than we did before. If not the next generation will be faced with crippling burdens.

The country's total income at the present time is calculated by financial experts to be about six thousand

millions. Taxation will raise about £995,000,000 this year. This proves that so far the Government is only taking in taxation about 16 per cent. Although taxation seems heavy enough, before the close of the Great War nearly 30 per cent. was being taken in taxation to finance the struggle.

### If Inflation Came

These figures are further proof that Britain has by no means reached the maximum of her war effort. The national income is bound to increase, and, as Sir Walter Layton has pointed out, if by financial mismanagement uncontrolled inflation sets in, it would danger of terrible collapse as in Germany after the war. Whatever happens, some rise in prices and wages is inevitable, and economists believe that the national income will rise to between seven thousand millions and eight thousand millions.

If the cost of the Great War is anything to go by the Government will require well over three thousand millions for war purposes, and in all it will very probably expend four thousand millions. Much remains to be decided and planned out before the nation is fully geared for war. The large number of unemployed is sufficient evidence of this.

To quote Sir Walter Layton:—"Up to the present we are a very long way short of our maximum war effort. How quickly the peak can be reached, how far it should be financed by taxation or by internal borrowing, the proportion to be spent on the three fighting services and civil defence respectively, and the extent to which the decision must be governed by the amount of imports which we have the means of buying overseas—these are all major questions that need to be answered before it is possible to draw up a national war plan."

### The People's Savings

The enthusiastic reception given by the public to the new issue of National Savings Certificates and Defence Bonds is striking evidence that the British public is anxious and willing to contribute towards the cost of the war.

Mr. J. M. Keynes, the eminent economist, has come forward with a

seemed to this cruelly battered man to be great mountains of black rock. The pleasure beach was a savage windswept shore.

His seven friends crawled a few yards up the shore and went to sleep. They were found next morning in a sad quarter-mile line along the sands—dead.

But something drove Jack Sanders on to get help. He dragged himself through gaps in the dunes, down across 200 yards of rough wind-swept ground, through a gate, up a patch and round a corner out of reach of the wind.

I traced his path a few mornings later. How he had the strength is a miracle.

Next: "I fell forward. My hands went through a window. I couldn't feel the cuts. I pulled more glass away with my hands and slumped down."

BUT it was only an out-house. He fell back in a faint. If he had slept then he would have died. But his lifeboat was keeping his neck strung up so that he couldn't sleep.

He staggered across the path and rattled a gate. Then on to end up some steps, and threw himself in a last effort against the door at the top of them.

And by a tremendous stroke of luck he found himself in a room. Noted for storing blankets. Far gone as he was, he struggled for more than an hour to get out of his clothes; then buried himself in blankets and slept fitfully until 7.30 a.m., when through the window he shouted to young Wally Turfitt.

Turfitt roused Mr. and Mrs. George Threadgold, retired pork butchers, whose house it was.

At 10 a.m., when Jack Manning, the local Daily Express man, arrived, Sanders was talking freely, but was still dazed.

The doctor allowed him bacon and eggs. Then Police Sergeant Conner took him to the police station, where Mrs. Conner has been looking after him ever since.

He is still very weak. He can't use his swollen fingers properly yet.

But the main trouble is mental: "It'll be a long time before I can stop thinking of those seven men."

notable scheme, whereby every person should contribute a percentage of his income for loan purposes. This, he estimates, would bring in about four hundred millions a year. It would serve a double purpose; the restriction of expenditure resulting upon higher wages, thus creating demand and forcing up prices, so leading to the pitfall of inflation; and the putting away of money which would be released after the war, when there will be the inevitable slump. The money so taken would help to pay for the war and afterwards when returned assist the wage-earner over the industrial depression.

Whether this war will cost as much as the Great War, nobody can tell, as this will entirely depend on its duration. An exact calculation of its cost to Great Britain is impossible. The day after the declaration of war the Government obtained from Parliament a vote of credit of £100,000,000. Nobody realised then this would be a mere drop in an ocean, but it was so, and the other day, lecturing on the war potential of Britain, Professor Shirlas, Professor of Economics until recently at the University of Bombay, said that if the national income rises to seven thousand millions, and the Government takes the same proportion of our expenditure as in the last war, we shall be able to reach maximum war effort of at least three hundred millions a month, which gives us daily expenditure of over the nine millions estimated by some financiers.

### Nazi's Financial Weakness

One hundred millions to-day would last little more than a fortnight, and in the end the War Governments of 1914-1918 had to spend the huge sum of £8,417,000,000.

We had to lend huge sums to the Allies, and ourselves borrow from the United States. It says much for the enormously strong financial position of Britain, that had we not been compelled to make loans to Russia, France, Italy, Rumania, Portugal, and sundry other countries, we would have been able to finance our efforts entirely.

We can take courage from the fact that whereas we are this time nowhere near the peak of our war effort, Germany has "already marshalled practically her full economic reserves and cannot make a greater effort" (Mr. Colin Clark), and in his book "Nazi Germany Can't Win" Dr. Necker, himself a former German officer, declares the Nazi doctrine of self-sufficiency has created new weaknesses, both moral and economic.

Norman Barclay



# Germany Storing Up Oil Reserves NAZIS PREPARE FOR DECISIVE BATTLE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

**BELGRADE, Mar. 27 (Domei).—**The Germans are preparing for a decisive battle on the Western Front by storing up large supplies of Rumanian and Russian oil.

## RESERVIST IN COURT

### "Painful Business" Says Chief Justice

"This is a very painful business to me, for the reason that I know accused himself as a member of the Police Reserve," said the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when Ho So, 46-year-old Police Reservist, was brought before him for sentence on a charge of demanding money with menaces, of which he was found guilty yesterday.

Ho was stated to have, together with two others not in custody, attempted to extort \$1,000 from one Chan Sik-tim by threatening to accuse him of murder in the country.

His Lordship postponed sentence until the April Sessions in order to give Ho a little experience of what conditions in gaol were like, and added that when he appeared before him again he would impose a fine and bind him over.

Mr. H. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, who conducted the prosecution, said Ho joined the Police Reserve in 1927, was promoted Sergeant in 1933 and Crown Sergeant last year. His record was clean, while his efficiency and conduct were noted as good. In 1931, during the anti-Japanese riots, he was commended by the then Traffic Inspector for excellent service.

**Constable Involved**  
His Lordship inquired if the Police had an idea of what this "wholly incredible story was about," and Mr. Williams replied that a Police constable was believed to be involved, as he disappeared that same afternoon and a warrant had been issued for his arrest.

The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, J., who defended Ho on the instructions of the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, remarked that looking at the history of Ho, one would see that until this lapse of his he had been a model member of the community.

Ho, he said, was the son of a fitter in the Hongkong Tramways, and through his father was apprenticed to the electrical department of that concern at the age of 10. Subsequently, he joined the Taihook Dockyard and the Hongkong Hotel Garage, and some 13 years ago he ventured on his own, starting from a small way and building it up gradually and steadily until now that business of motor repairs occupied three shops, had machinery worth at least \$10,000 and gave employment to no less than 25 hands. He was a father of nine children, the youngest of whom was only 14 months old.

**Superintendent's Offer**  
"Apart from his good Police record," went on Mr. D'Almada, "this Superintendent, Mr. B. C. Randall, is not only willing to answer questions about his conduct from personal acquaintance, but is also prepared to stand surety for his future behaviour. Besides Mr. Randall, there are also three gentlemen who are willing to do the same—Mr. Tse Ka-po, a Justice of Peace, Mr. Lo Chung-wan, a director of the National and Commercial Savings Bank and a former member of the Po Leung Kuk and Tung Wah Hospital Committees, and Mr. Lam Chi-sat, a tea merchant.

"I will make no attempt to minimise the seriousness of the offence but I must say there is nothing against him except this single lapse. This is an act of a man who has lived an honourable life until this particular offence was committed, and I submit that justice would be sufficiently done by meting a comparatively light sentence or a heavy fine.

His Lordship: "This is a very painful business to me for the reason that I know accused himself as a member of the Police Reserve. I don't think there is anything more Mr. Randall could add to his history and character. What was it all about, do you know? What was it that a man of unblemished reputation, a man with all the knowledge of law, should do stupid things like this?"

**Truth in Allegation**  
Mr. D'Almada replied that according to his instructing solicitor and Ho himself, Ho visited the place on the invitation of one of the two men not in custody. According to Inspector Hopkins, Counsel added, apparently there was some truth in the suggestion that the complainant did commit some sort of offence in the country connected with the killing of a man. It seemed that accused or at least one of the other two men went to complainant's place with a view of finding out about this crime, but whether it was for gain or for the purpose of bringing him to book, was not known.

Addressing Ho, His Lordship said: "I confess I am entirely at a loss to understand why a man like you should be foolish enough to be involved in such a business as this. The Jury has found you guilty of a serious crime and regarding your conduct from that point of view it is in your favour that you treated your victim extremely well. (It was

To-day, 30 German boats, carrying a total of 18,000 tons of oil, started sailing up the Danube with Rumanian oil.

In the meantime a succession of "accidents" in various Rumanian oil fields during last week-end have disturbed the authorities.

**Explosions And Fires**  
Explosions and fires are reported from several oil fields in Rumania. An explosion occurred in an oil well near Proesti on Saturday last, while a fire broke out in an oil well owned by the Steova Oil Company.

On Monday another explosion took place in a well near Proesti. The Rumanian Government are taking urgent precautions against these successive accidents which, it is felt, might be the outcome of international manoeuvres.

## The Souritz Rumpus Envoy Exceeds Privileges

### Story Of Recall Of Ambassador

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
**PARIS, Mar. 27 (UP).—**The French Prime Minister to-day reported to the Cabinet that Russia has agreed to recall the Soviet Ambassador in accordance with France's demand, because the Ambassador is now considered *persona non grata* due to the fact that he tried to telegraph to Moscow denouncing "British and French warmongers" in connection with the consummation of the Russo-Finnish treaty.

Written in plain French language, the telegram was intercepted and a copy was sent to the French Charge d'Affaires in Moscow with instructions for him to inform the Soviet Foreign Minister that the Soviet Ambassador in Paris had exceeded his ambassadorial privileges.

**Envoys In Conference**  
It was also announced to-day that the French Premier is recalling individually all French ambassadors from European capitals for consultation. He has already talked with M. Coudin from London and his next talk will be with M. Francois Poncelet from Rome and then M. Borgeat from Brussels after which he will consult the others singly.

Russian sources in Paris say that the date of M. Souritz's departure has not yet been fixed. Henceforth Russia will be represented here by the Soviet Charge d'Affaires, M. Pavel Kravitsky.

**Personal Affair**  
"The case of M. Souritz must be considered a personal affair concerning the personality of an Ambassador who has overstepped the limits of courtesy," a French official spokesman said. Meanwhile M. Naglar, French Ambassador to Moscow, has been in France since February on sick leave and it seems he spent a lengthy sojourn in Britain for the same reason. To-day the French police are guarding the Russian Embassy and obliging all callers even the Embassy staff, to identify themselves.

## New Post For M. Tanner

### Minister Of Food In Revised Cabinet

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
**HELSINGFORS, Mar. 27 (UP).—**M. Tanner, former Finnish Foreign Minister, has been named Minister of Food Supply and Welfare in the new Finnish Cabinet.

The Finnish Cabinet, headed by Dr. Risto Rytty, to-day resigned on bloc, but Dr. Rytty has formed a new Cabinet which includes practically all of the previous office holders.

President Kailla to-day addressed the old Cabinet and paid a tribute to their courage during the war.

Marshal Baron Mannerheim, addressing Swedish and Norwegian volunteers, declared: "Our villages and towns were destroyed, but our courage is not crushed."

stated in evidence that of the three men, Ho spoke the least). In the circumstances I propose to postpone sentence until the next Sessions and that will give you a little experience of what conditions in gaol are like. When the next Sessions open you will be brought before me again and then, unless in the meantime either by reason of your own conduct or further facts have come to light for which I have reason to change my mind, I shall adopt your Counsel's suggestion in imposing a fine on you and bind you over. In the meantime, the order of the Court is that sentence on you be postponed until the April Sessions and that you remain in custody during that time.

## EVEN BIRDS CANNOT ESCAPE THE WAR



Outside a blockhouse of the Maginot Line. The birds in the cage are more than pets. They act as gas detectors. If gas is used, they will be the first victims. But the men will have been warned.

## BRITAIN'S NEW £1 NOTES

**LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—**The Bank of England announces that in accordance with the arrangements made early in 1939, a new type of pound and ten shilling notes will be issued shortly.

There consequently will be two types of these notes in circulation for a time. Both will be legal tender.

The new types of notes will be of the same size and design as the present type but printed, except for the numbering, in different colours.

## MOSCOW'S OVERTURES

### Wants New Friendship With Britain

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
**MOSCOW, Mar. 27 (UP).—**Moscow wants to make it up and be friends with Britain, despite England's fury over the Soviet invasion and dismemberment of Finland.

Indications are that despite the strain on relations between Russia and Britain, Moscow is ready to let bygones be bygones and to co-operate in an effort to improve relations.

**Hopes Unfounded**  
To-day's meeting between M. Malysky the Soviet Ambassador to London and the British Foreign Secretary was arranged at the former's request in compliance with Moscow instructions.

However, it seems that Russian hopes that Russo-British relations would improve with the conclusion of the Russo-Finnish war have proved, not only to be premature, but unfounded.

The best informed London sources indicate that the British do not intend to ask for the recall of M. Malysky, nor does the Soviet plan to withdraw him in connection with the Souritz affair in Paris, but the relations between London and Moscow are anything but cordial.

## Russia's Contention

**LONDON, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—**The "Times" diplomatic correspondent says that M. Ivan Malysky called on Viscount Halifax yesterday afternoon for the first time since relations became strained through the Red Army's invasion of Finland.

The immediate occasion of his visit was probably the detention on the British of the Soviet ships Selenga and Vladimir Mayakovsky.

The Soviets contend that their ships are State ships to be treated differently from privately-owned vessels, and that in any case, the cargoes would not leave the Soviet Union.

## Trans-Pacific Film To Be Screened

The programme for to-morrow's monthly luncheon of the Chinese American Institute of Cultural Relations will be the first showing of the film entitled "Trans-Pacific," depicting interesting scenes of the Clipper flight from San Francisco to Honolulu, via Honolulu, Midway, Guam and Manila, by Mr. Owen F. Johnson, manager of the Pan American Airways during the absence of Mr. Phil S. Delany.

This film is more comprehensive than the previous one and is in colour and sound.

The meeting will be held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden at 12.45 p.m. Reservations should be made immediately with the Reception Office of the Hongkong Hotel. Members may bring guests.

## RECEIVED STOLEN NEWSPRINT ALLEGED

### Chinese Faces Charges At Criminal Sessions

The theft of 158 reels of newsprint, valued at approximately \$15,000 belonging to the "Ta Kung Pao" by one of the newspaper's employees who subsequently absconded, led to four charges of receiving stolen property against Kwok Shun-chuen, unemployed broker, before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, J., instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sin, prosecuted, and Kwok was defended by Mr. H. C. Macnamara on the instructions of Mr. M. A. da Silva. Jarosz empowelled were Messrs. P. K. Ewri (Foreman), F. J. Tavaras, V. T. Low, Leung Kam-kwong, Yee Khin-seong, Chung Shau-ki and M. A. Xavier.

Mr. D'Almada said the "Ta Kung Pao," which had been published in Hongkong for some little time, had at one time an employee called Hsu, whose job was to take charge of the English correspondence and delivery orders concerning newsprint stored in godowns. It was the case for the prosecution that it was Hsu, who stole the newsprint in question.

**Seeks Orders**  
Kwok, continued Counsel, was employed until the outbreak of war, as a broker in the China Export and Import Co., a German concern which was now in liquidation. His job was to go out and solicit orders, and in his capacity as such he called one day upon Tse Tao-peng, Secretary of the "Ta Kung Pao," with a view to getting orders for newsprint. As Hsu was in charge of the newsprint, Kwok was referred to him. Orders were placed and Hsu and Kwok became very friendly.

On July 28 last, the "Ta Kung Pao" entered into a contract with the China Export and Import Co. for 50 tons of newsprint, amounting in all to 178 reels. The goods arrived in October and were stored at the Holt's Wharf godowns.

**Man Disappears**  
The next thing that came to light was on January 14, when Hsu disappeared. His absence aroused suspicions in the minds of his employers and investigations were made. As a result it was found that there were no more reels of newsprint in the godowns although only 20 reels had actually been taken delivery of and made use by the "Ta Kung Pao."

The inquiries further showed that on the dates on which the reels were taken, they came into the possession of Kwok, who stored them in the Wing On Company's godowns in small lots at prices somewhat below the then prevailing market price to a firm called the Inter-Continental Co. which was opened on October 15 last.

When the "Ta Kung Pao" entered into the contract with the China Export and Import Co., the market price for newsprint was something like seven or eight cents per pound. Shortly before the outbreak of war, the price increased to 11 cents and in December it was 14 cents per pound.

**Unable To Furnish Guarantee**  
Kwok was subsequently arrested, and in the Police Court he made a statement to the effect that it was Hsu who actually bought the newsprint and not the "Ta Kung Pao." He explained that sometime in June or July last, a man named Li, who represented the "Yik Sau Pao" in Kunming, signed a contract with the China Export and Import Co. for 50 tons of newsprint. One of the terms of the agreement was that Li was to furnish either a guarantee or put up a cash security.

After the newsprint had arrived, Li found he could not carry out the terms of the agreement. As a result Kwok saw Hsu, who offered to take the goods provided they were at a slightly lower price. At that time it was estimated that the price of newsprint would increase because of the war, and the arrangement was that should the goods be sold at a price in excess of what they were actually contracted for, Hsu was to be paid four cents for every pound.

## Brazil Revolt Uncovered

### Communist Agitators Are Blamed

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
**RIO DE JANEIRO, Mar. 27 (Domei).—**Brazilian military authorities to-day announced that a revolutionary plot had been discovered at San Paulo.

According to the announcement, foreign Communists urged Red elements in the country to attempt a reign of terror.

Communism prevails over the whole of Brazil, claim the authorities. Many Communists have been arrested in Rio de Janeiro, and it is believed that they were connected with the abortive revolution.

## Appeal To Rifle Association

**LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—**The War Office has asked the National Rifle Association to provide a number of instructors for the training camp at Blandford.

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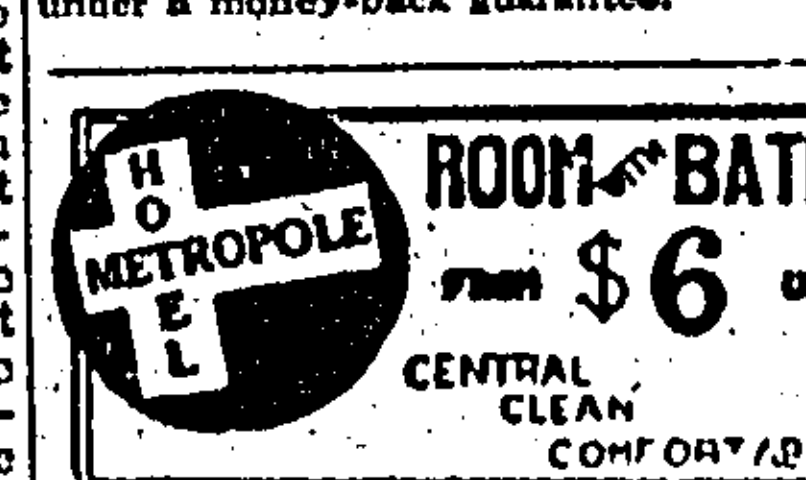
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## "Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

# AFTER-THOUGHTS ON INTERPORT

## Macao Forwards Fail To Shoot Accurately: Colony's Sound Defence

ONE CANNOT SAY that last Sunday's Interport hockey match with Macao was ruined by the weather. On the contrary, the ground at King's Park was in good condition, and though the surface was slippery, this made play somewhat exciting and fast.

I attribute Macao's defeat to the failure of the inside forwards to shoot accurately when within the circle. Had they done so Macao would surely have drawn, at least.

## KUMAONS TROUNCE 5th A.A.

### First Round Match Of Large Units Tourney

ON THE MARINA GROUND last Monday, in the first round of the Large Units Hockey Tournament, Kumon Rifles defeated the 5th A.A. by 5-0. The Riflemen started off at a great pace, and for most of the first half were a fraction of a second faster than their opponents.

Apart from a short time in the second half, Kumon were almost continually on the attack, and the 5th A.A. defence was often spread by fine inter-passing movements between Nerain and Partaub. Though Capt. Stupleton was slow, he made some nice openings for his forwards, and Capt. Lock was in splendid form on the right wing. Krishna Singh was prominent at centre-half. Lock, Stupleton and Nerain Singh shared the goals between them.

### Rajputs 7 R. Scots 0

IN THE SAME TOURNAMENT on the Rajputana ground last Tuesday, the Rajputana Rifles beat the Royal Scots by seven clear goals. Though the Scots were out-classed, the game was fast and interesting from start to finish. Both defences played well, but the Rajputana forwards were the far superior.

The home team led by three clear goals at the end of the first half. Datta Ram, at right back, was good and was responsible for two of the total from short corners. All the other goals were scored by Pritham Nath and Indragit Singh, and were the results of good passing movements.

Sha Wall, on the right wing, was speedy and put in some very nice centres. The short, quick passing of the Rajputana men was much more successful than the more powerful hitting of the Scots.

Cpl. Neave, for the Scots, got through a tremendous amount of work at centre half, with Elitchcock and Douglas the best of the forwards. With the result of these two games, I am inclined to think it is going to be an all-Indian final again this year, between the Champions and Runners-up, though Middlesex may give either team a tough time should they get through.

## International Tennis Meet In Japan

TOKYO, Mar. 26 (Domei).—In order to commemorate the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire, the Japan Tennis Association has invited ranking players from the United States, Australia and Italy to take part in an international meeting to be held in Tokyo during the Summer.

Italy has already accepted the invitation and Giorgio de Stefani, their first ranking player and Davis Cup captain, and another player will comprise their team.

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## RUMJAHN DEFEATS UMETANI IN STRAIGHT SETS

### Splendid Duel Of Tactics In Open Singles Yesterday

(By "TINKER")

ANTICIPATIONS of some of the best tennis to date in the Colony Open tennis tournament were realised when H. D. Rumjahn met and defeated O. Umetani by 6-1, 6-2, in the Singles Championship quarter-finals yesterday on the Hongkong Cricket Club courts. It was a splendid duel of tactics, and seldom before had Rumjahn played a better game.

Where Umetani failed was in over-cautiousness. There was little wrong with his strokes, but he lost accuracy through his carefulness. Three incidents pointing to this were two quite "dolly" smashes and a volley at the net. With Rumjahn wide of position, Umetani twice hit the ball into the net, and the other point was lost over the sidelines.

He played well, however, and was a fighter to the finish. He worked for his openings, but at the critical moments made weak returns. Before the game commenced, I noticed his wiping his hands. Umetani played right into Rumjahn's hand with the type of game he played. Waiting for a player of Rumjahn's calibre to make mistakes is like waiting for rain in Hongkong—neither seldom come.

### GREAT ACCURACY

HOWEVER, Rumjahn, on form yesterday, was a man to whom it was no disgrace to lose. His accurate volleys, drives (cross-court and sideline) were astonishing, and came in for much applause. He imparted far more speed to his shots than his opponent, and with yesterday's accuracy, it was not surprising that Umetani did quite a bit of running from side to side of the court. It was quite a tense match—though the scores look easy enough—and both players' strokes were appreciated by the crowd. On several occasions Umetani only just failed to bring off winning volleys and drives, and on all he had the spectators' sympathy.

Rumjahn commenced serving, and after losing the first game, took the remaining six games in a row. Umetani showed a definite preference for his forehand, but in so positioning himself left quite a large space on the forehand court into which Rumjahn shot several winning volleys.

### WAIT AND SEE

UMETANI took the first game of the second set on his own service, but again relapsed into wait-and-see tactics, and Rumjahn ran into a 4-2 lead before the Japanese claimed his second and only other game in the set. In the seventh game, after deuce had been called twice on Umetani's service, he became over-careful again and lost the game by serving a double fault!

Rumjahn will now meet either his cousin, S.A., or J. W. Leonard, whose match has been postponed until next week.

### To-day's Programme

OPEN DOUBLES  
Tang Oi-lam and Leung Ping-chiu v. J. L. C. Pearce and D. I. Bosanquet.  
I. and B. Agnifuroff v. Wong Fook-nam and Lum Kwun.  
Kwok King-chung and Lut Kwai-fan v. C. H. R. Hyde and J. J. Ferguson.

## Army Beat Club In Triangular Tournament Game

IN THE SECOND GAME of the Navy-Army-Club Triangular Hockey Tournament, the Army beat the Club by 4-2 at King's Park yesterday. The interport players, Partaub Singh, Lt. E. Nath, Sha Wall and Stickle were in fine form, and their play was mainly responsible for the victory.

W. A. Reed was the only man to show up in the Club line-up. Bates worked hard on the left wing, but selfishness robbed his work of its value.

Goalscorers for the Army were Partaub Nath (2), Sha Wall and Partaub. Bickford scored both goals for the Club.

### Y.M.C.A. Teams

The following hockey teams will represent Y.M.C.A. to-day and Saturday in the 1st XI v. Recreation ("Y") ground, 8.15 p.m.; 2nd XI v. Recreation ("Y") ground, 8.15 p.m.; 3rd XI v. Recreation ("Y") ground, 8.15 p.m.; 4th XI v. Recreation ("Y") ground, 8.15 p.m.; 5th XI v. Recreation ("Y") ground, 8.15 p.m.; 6th XI v. Recreation ("Y") ground, 8.15 p.m.; 7th XI v. Recreation ("Y") ground, 8.15 p.m.; 8th XI v. Recreation ("Y") ground, 8.15 p.m.; 9th XI v. Recreation ("Y") ground, 8.15 p.m.; 10th XI v. Recreation ("Y") ground, 8.15 p.m.

## GRAND NATIONAL ACCEPTANCES

### Amendments To List Of Probables

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Acceptances for the Grand National have been as follows:

Royal Mail, Royal Danelli, Professor II, Dunhill Castle, Rockquill, Workman, Red Eagle, Dominick's Cross, Black Hawk, Kilster, Away, Macmoffat, Knight's Brook, Milano, Venturesome Knight, Symeathis, Litigant, Le Cygne, Inversliffe, Boyo, Takvor, Pacha, Bogalar, National Night, Red Freeman, Underbid, Cold Arrow, Bachelor Prince, Down-right, Second Act, Sterling Duke, Corn Law, Luxborough, Lazy Boots and Tuckmill.

### AMENDED PROBABLES

The following amendments have been made to the list of probables and jockeys:

Danny Organ will ride Milano, Mr. Loewenstein rides Bachelor Prince, Hyde, rides Sterling Duke.

### The following have scratched:

The Uplifter, Workman, Timber Wolf, Hilohead Prince, John Chinaman, Prime, Cordite, Alrigdaisio, Chesterton, Bally Fox and Young Mischief.

## SCOTTISH CUP REPLAY

### Hearts And Airdrie Draw Again

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—In their replay in the Third Round of the Scottish Cup football competition, Hearts and Airdrie drew again, the score being 2-2.

### Regional League matches were:

WESTERN			
Hamilton	4	Ayr	2
Queen's Park	4	Motherwell	1
Third Lanark	3	Dumbarton	2

EASTERN			
King's Park	4	St. Bernard's	1
Stenmuir	2	Hibernian	1

but the absence of the playing members of the Colony side was very noticeable. However, the presence of a few ladies seemed an added attraction. It was altogether very pleasant and successful.

## Macao Take Revenge On Civilians' XI

### Courageous Front Carried Them Through

ON EASTER MONDAY, following their defeat in the interport game, Macao returned to their best form, and shook our Civilians at King's Park in such a way that most of the Colony supporters who had travelled all that way swallowed their disappointment, which was occasioned, perhaps, by the splendid showing of the Civilians in the earlier stages of the match.

Spectators might have been anticipating the defeat of the Portuguese lads, but they were soon thrilled by the fine display given. I, for one, was moved to enthusiastic appreciation when our visitors, after being led 2-0 early in the second half, rained attack after attack on the Civilians' defence and finally broke through to equalise.

Gradually they settled down after positional changes had been made, and gave their best, and once they had the Civilian attack in check, took the lead. There was no real question as to the final result.

Both attacks started off at a great pace, and both defences threatened to collapse under the strain of continual pressure, but the goal-keepers, Alar Souza, and then Almada, rose to the occasion with magnificent clearances. During this period the close marking of the halves, particularly W. A. Reed and L. Costa, of their opposing forwards, was excellent. The score sheet, however, was blank at half-time.

Immediately on resumption, the Civilian forwards came into the picture, and W. A. Reed sent E. Fowler galloping away. Slipping several defenders en route, he cut inside to score from an acute angle with a high flick shot. A grand individual effort!

THEIR halves and their backs, among whom R. Rosario and J. Ferreira continually caught the eye, were generally able to prevent the Civilian attacks from progressing further than the half-way line.

Macao went further ahead when Alex Almada again beat Souza with an easy goal, the latter mis-timing his clearance. The collapse of the Civilian's backs, J. Goncalves and R. J. Reed, was the cause of the defeat, whilst Macao, on the other hand, were the quicker and more cohesive side, and seemed always to have something in hand. It was a well-earned victory for our visitors.

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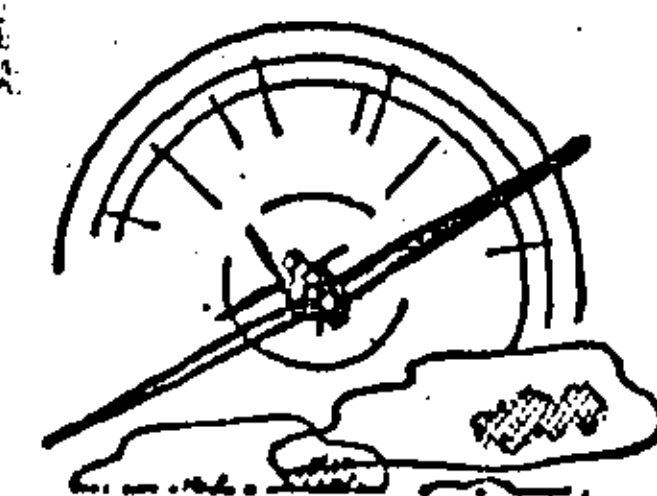
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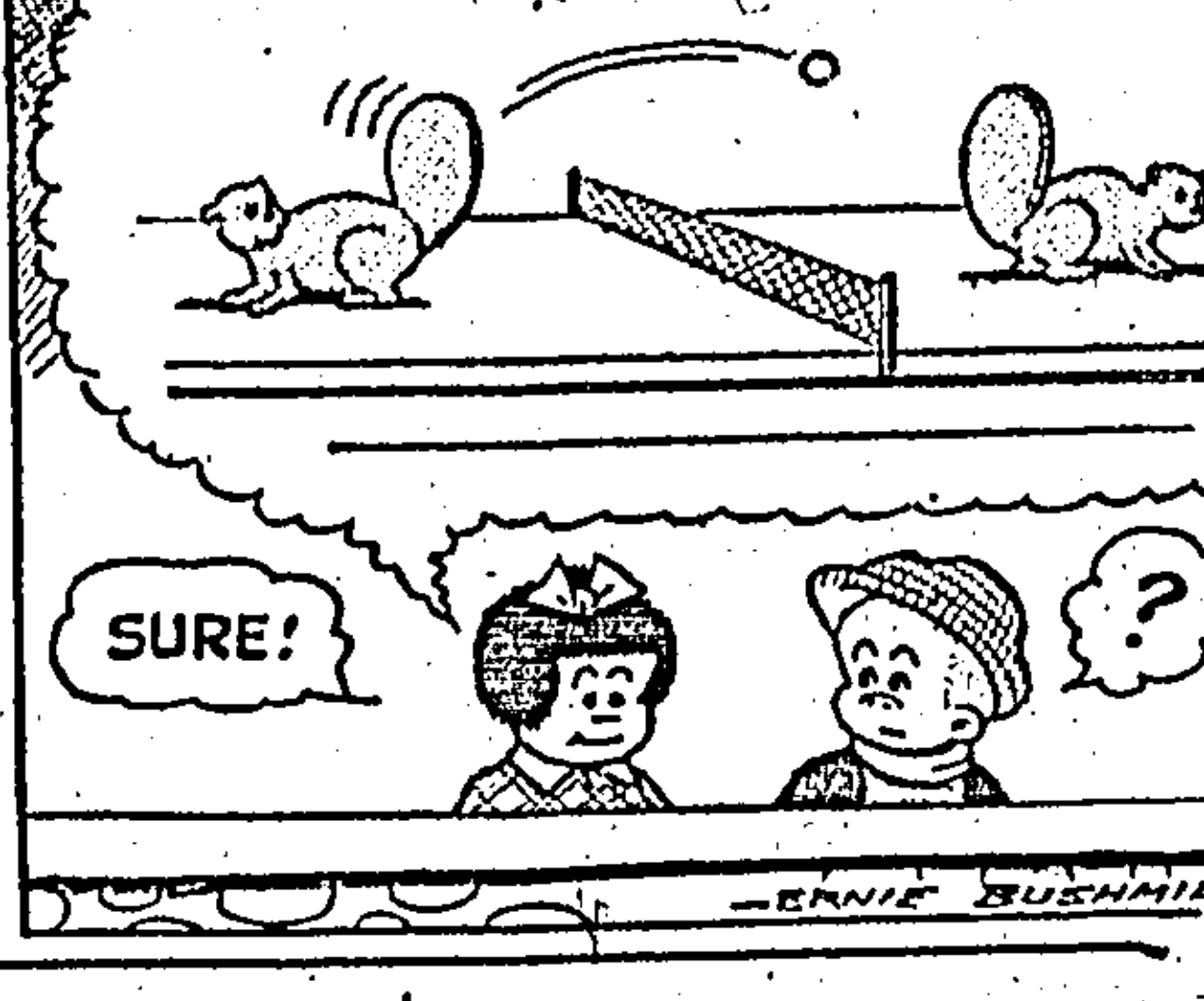
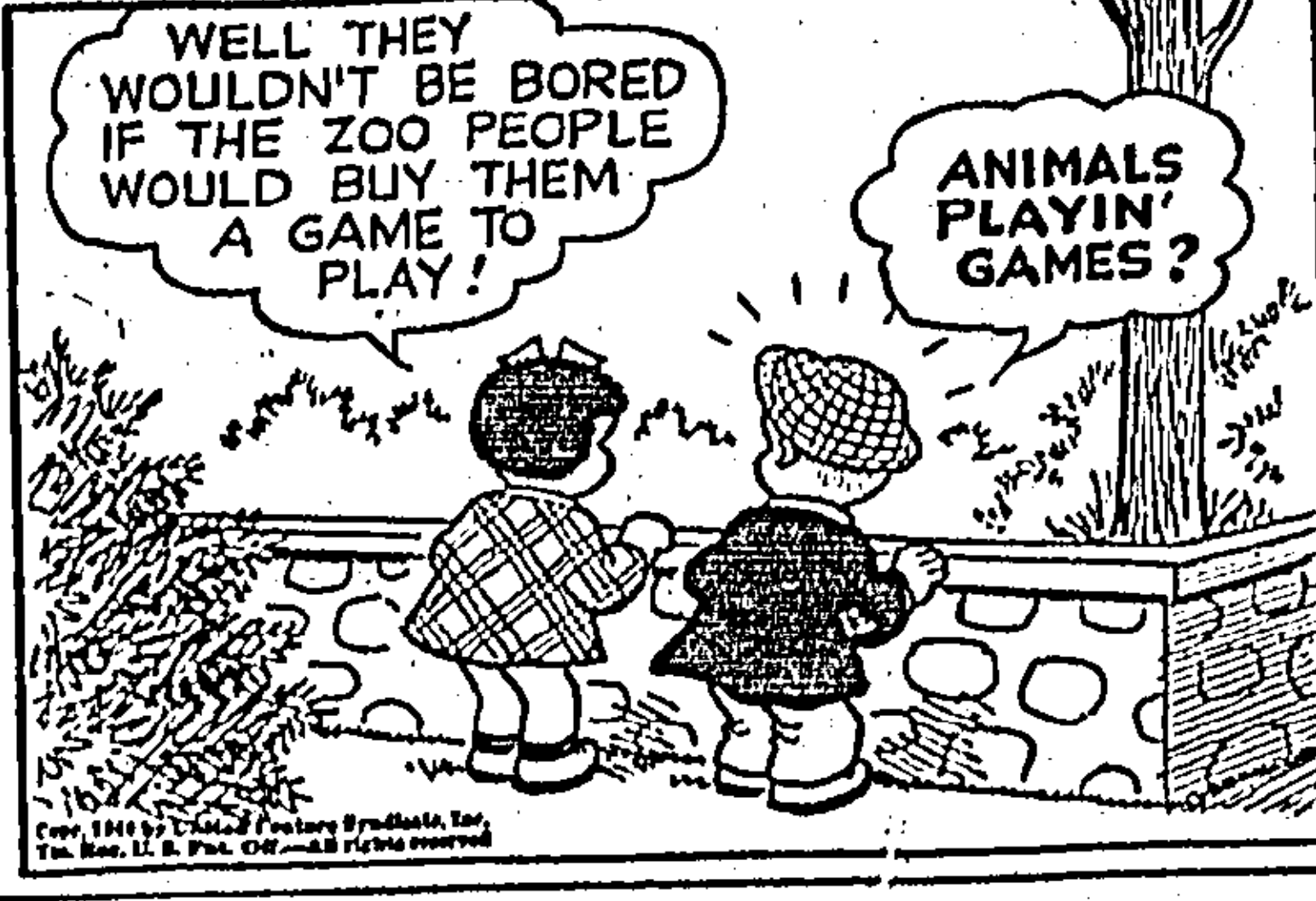
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NANCY



# CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN PROFITS

## Successful Year's Working Reported By Chairman

A profit of \$283,675 on the year's working was reported at the annual meeting of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., held in the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel at noon to-day.

Those present were: Mr. S. M. Churn (Chairman), Mr. Robert H. Tung, Mr. Robert Kotewall, Mr. T. B. Wilson, the Hon. Mr. Li Tze-fong, Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, Mr. B. Vanswani, Mr. J. Tan Hung, Mr. A. N. S. Rozar, Mr. E. J. M. Churn, Mr. A. W. J. Simmons, Mr. H. Q. Hunt, Mr. W. J. Shu-chuen, Mr. Lo Kai-wing, Mr. K. C. Mark and Mrs. R. A. Wickerson (Secretary). A total of 40,403 shares were represented.

### Tribute To Late Mr. Hodgson

The Chairman moving the adoption of the report and accounts said: Before proceeding with the business of the meeting, it is my painful duty to have to record officially the death of Mr. Paul M. Hodgson. The late Mr. Hodgson, as you are no doubt aware, was a member of this Board for 14 years in an unbroken line, and in his demise, the Company has been deprived of the services of a wise and resourceful counsellor. May I ask that you will stand for a moment in silence as a mark of your respect to his memory?

The profit for the year under review, after making provision for all known contingencies, was \$283,675.14, equal to 12.83% on issued capital.

You will recall that in my speech at the previous annual general meeting I stated that the profit earned in 1938 was exceptional as it had been earned under the extraordinary conditions ruling throughout that year, and of the \$600,000 made in 1938 the sum of \$278,000 had been derived from leased godowns accommodating distressed cargo, thus the profit from our own properties was \$278,000. At the beginning of 1939 all leased godowns, except the North Point godown, had been given up and the profit for the year from this source was only \$35,000, whilst the earnings on our own properties amounted to \$279,000.

### Godowns Full To Capacity

The year 1939 opened with a moderate demand for space, which, except for the set-back at the beginning of the year, improved during the year until a peak was reached in November last, which proved to be a record month for earnings from our own properties in the Company's history. During the present year our godowns have been full to capacity and the demand for storage space seems likely to continue. We have not been able to rent sufficient godown space to take care of all our clients' demands, but for the accommodation of a few of our old clients we have rented two small godowns, which will only show a very moderate profit. Owing to the lack of space we have during January and February this year had to refuse several steamers, but recently we have been able to resume this important phase of our business.

I am pleased to record that our customers have availed themselves to a greater extent of the facilities we offer for loans against cargo stored with us. These loans are invariably granted with ample margin and are for short terms only. All the loans outstanding as at 31st December, 1939, have since been repaid, except one loan which we have renewed. The balance sheet of your Company shows a very satisfactory position, and you will observe that your Directors have recommended the transfer of a further \$50,000 to General Reserve, increasing this Reserve to \$150,000.

### Scheme Of Depreciation

During the year under review your Board have adopted a definite scheme of depreciation based on a sinking fund at 3½% interest to provide the

## NAZI PAMPHLET BOMBS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BRUSSELS, Mar. 27 (UP).—Foreign planes, believed to have been German, flew over the Mons district close to the French frontier on Monday night and dropped tracts designed to demoralise the French soldiers. Some copies of the pamphlets were picked up to the northwest of Brussels.

book value of the land held under seventy-five year Crown Leases and all the buildings over the remaining life of the properties. The Fund now stand at \$47,731.74 and are covered by an investment in Hongkong Government 4½% Loan Bonds as shown under the item "Sinking Fund Investments" on the assets side of the Balance Sheet.

Furniture and Equipment and Motor Trucks and Motor Boat have been adequately depreciated.

The Book value of our investment in the Sandakan Light & Power Co. (1922) Ltd., has been adjusted to market value in accordance with the terms of my speech at the last Annual General Meeting, and the surplus of \$278,465.60 transferred to the Investment Fluctuation Reserve.

The item "Investments \$149,157.16" represents \$116,000, 2½% Hongkong Government Loan Bonds and \$29,000, 4½% Hongkong Government Loan Bonds.

The amount due from Sundry Debtors at the end of the year was \$145,993.92 of which \$119,052.28 has since been collected.

The Employees' Provident Funds have, during the year, been vested in Trusts and withdrawn from the Company's general assets. The scope of this Fund has been enlarged so that it now includes all our permanent employees with three years' service earning over \$50.00 per month.

### Dividend Recommended

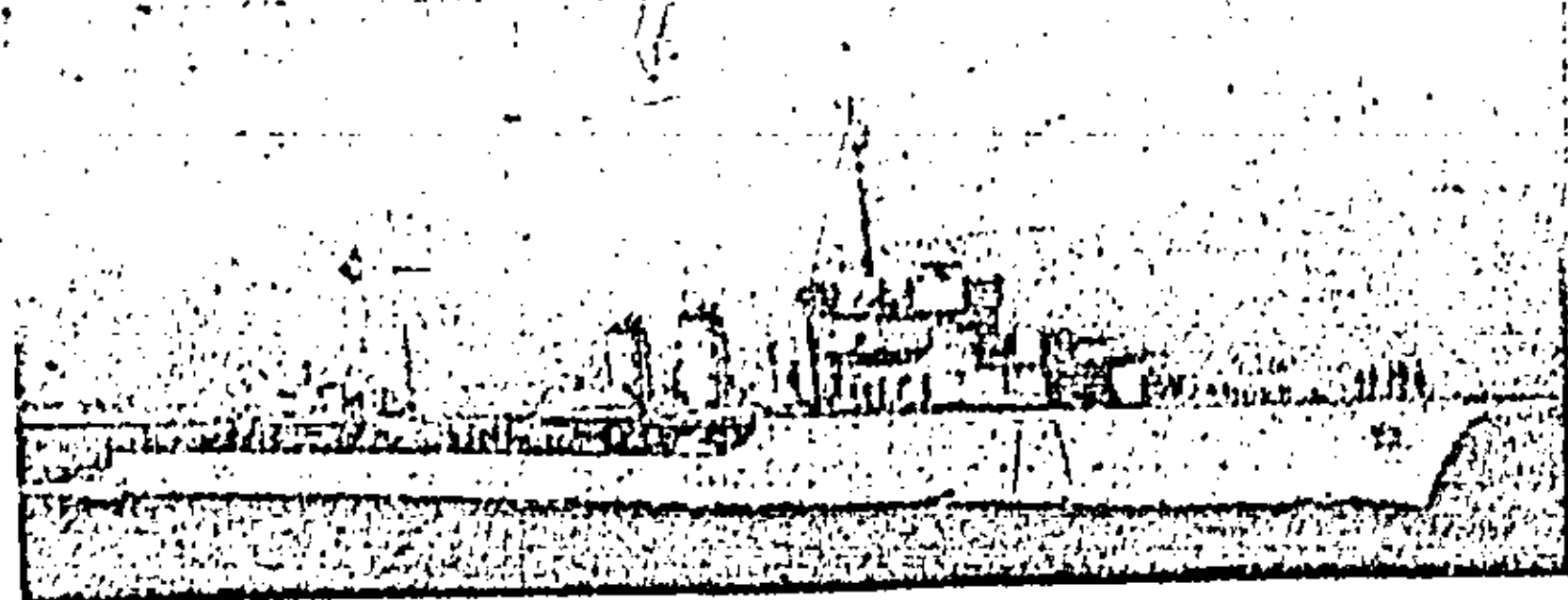
The balance now available for appropriation is \$357,082.88 made up of the profit for the year 1939 \$283,675.14 and the amount brought forward from 1938 \$74,007.74. Your Directors will recommend to this meeting that a dividend of fifty cents per share be paid absorbing \$221,100.50, the sum of \$50,000, be transferred to General Reserve, the sum of \$15,000, be distributed to the staff at the discretion of the Directors, and that the balance then remaining \$71,576.38 be carried forward to 1940 account, and we trust that these suggestions will meet with your approval.

To fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Hodgson we have invited Sir Robert H. Kotewall, Kt., C.M.G., LL.D., to join the Board and this appointment requires the confirmation of the Shareholders at this Meeting.

I now beg to propose that the Directors' Report, Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year ended December 31, 1939, as presented, be adopted, and that the balance available at Profit and Loss Account of \$357,082.88 be dealt with as recommended by the Directors.

The retiring directors Sir Robert H. Tung and Mr. J. P. Braga were re-elected and the retiring auditors Messrs. Inland and Davis and Percy Smith, Selh and Fleming were re-appointed.

The appointment of Sir Robert Kotewall to a seat on the Board was approved.



LA RAILLEUSE

## French Destroyer Lost In Terrific Explosion

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Mar. 27 (UP).—The 1,378-ton French destroyer La Railleuse was completely destroyed by a mysterious explosion on Saturday, according to the Tangiers Correspondent of the "Giornale d'Italia."

The correspondent states that the blast split the destroyer in two and she sank within a few minutes. Of the destroyer's complement of 142 men, over 100 are reported to be missing. Several injured men have been rescued.

The La Railleuse was just leaving Casablanca when the explosion occurred. The destroyer was commissioned in September, 1926. She was armed with four 5.1in. guns, two anti-aircraft guns and six 21in. torpedo tubes.

### RAILLEUSE LOSS CONFIRMED

PARIS, Mar. 23 (UP).—An official communique issued by the French Navy Department states that seven were killed and several of the crew are missing following an explosion aboard the French destroyer Railleuse.

## Tributes To Mr. Savage

### Funeral Services In London On Monday

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The funeral services for Mr. M. J. Savage, the late Premier of New Zealand, will take place on Sunday.

The news of his death has been received everywhere with regret and messages of condolence have been sent from all parts of the English speaking world.

One message was received from General Smuts, the Prime Minister of South Africa.

### Newspapers' Tributes

In a leading article to-day the "Daily Telegraph" regrets that Mr. Savage will not be able to play a part in the important discussions which must come in the future. He might have had a great part to play.

He has already forged the spearhead of New Zealand's effort, says the "Daily Telegraph," and determined her policy in one of the most decisive hours for her future. Commenting on his social reform work, the "Manchester Guardian" says that Mr. Savage led the Dominion, which is in many ways conservative, to take steps in social reform and set an example for the democracies.

His name will have its place among those of the most sincere social reformers that the British democracies have ever produced.

## Seeking New Agreement

### Franco-Japanese Talks To Be Started

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Mar. 27 (UP).—It is reliably reported that the Franco-Japanese negotiations for the renewal of the modus vivendi, commercial treaty, expiring on April 15, will begin next Wednesday between the Secretary of the Japanese Embassy, Mr. Saida and the Commerce Chief of the Foreign Office, M. Delenda.

It is said unofficially that a Japanese observer, Mr. Kawal is expected to arrive from Rome next Friday morning and will continue a tour of the major European countries.

## STOCK EXCHANGE EASES

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was very quiet, prices in most groups tending to ease apart from Kafirs which were supported by local, together with Cape, buying.

Home rails continued yesterday's advance. The new war loan closed at 5/10 discount. Wall Street was firm.

### Canadian Elections

## Govt. Sweeps The Board

### Liberals Secure A Record Majority

OTTAWA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The latest state of the parties in the Canadian elections is:

Liberals, 174.  
Nation Government, 38.  
Doubtful, 8.

There is no change in the other parties.

Reinforced by a record majority, representing 53 per cent of the national vote, Mr. Mackenzie King will probably summon Parliament for either May 2 or May 9.

### Smashing Victory

OTTAWA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Liberal Government of Canada has obtained a smashing victory at the polls, a victory even greater than its most ardent supporters had hoped for.

The latest figures are:—  
Liberal 174 seats (out of a total of 245).

Conservative (or National Government) as the party has been calling itself) 38.

The Co-operative Commonwealth Federation 8.

New democracy social credit 7.

Others 9.

All Communists.

One result has been deferred and eight others are still doubtful. The results do not include the votes of the Canadian troops which will be available next week.

The vote may alter some of the results but will not be enough to affect the main issue.

Every communist candidate was defeated.

The Social Credit Party only polled one out of the original 15 seats.

All the leading lights of the Conservative Party were defeated and so were all the women candidates.

### One Woman Elected

OTTAWA, Mar. 28 (Reuter).—Mrs. D. W. Neilson, a Unity Party candidate and mother of three children, defeated the veteran Liberal Mr. C. R. McIntosh at North Battleford, Saskatchewan.

She will be the only woman member in the House. All other women candidates were defeated.

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Royal Albert Hall is to be re-opened but will conform with police regulations in that the accommodation will be limited to 5,000 people instead of the normal 7,000.

## Police Fire On Calcutta Mob

### 15,000 Scavengers Go On Strike

CALCUTTA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—For the first time for ten years, the Police opened fire in Calcutta to-day when a Police picket was attacked by a gang of municipal scavengers, who had been on strike yesterday.

After the Police had fired four rounds, 18 of the strikers were arrested.

About 15,000 scavengers are on strike demanding a 25 per cent. increase in wages.

Efforts to extend the strike to other municipal services were checked by the arrest of seven leaders.

## Correspondents, Please Note

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Postmaster General has given notice that all correspondence with persons who are members of crews on board all ships, save those under charter to the Government, must be addressed to the care of the owners or agents and not care of the General Post Office.

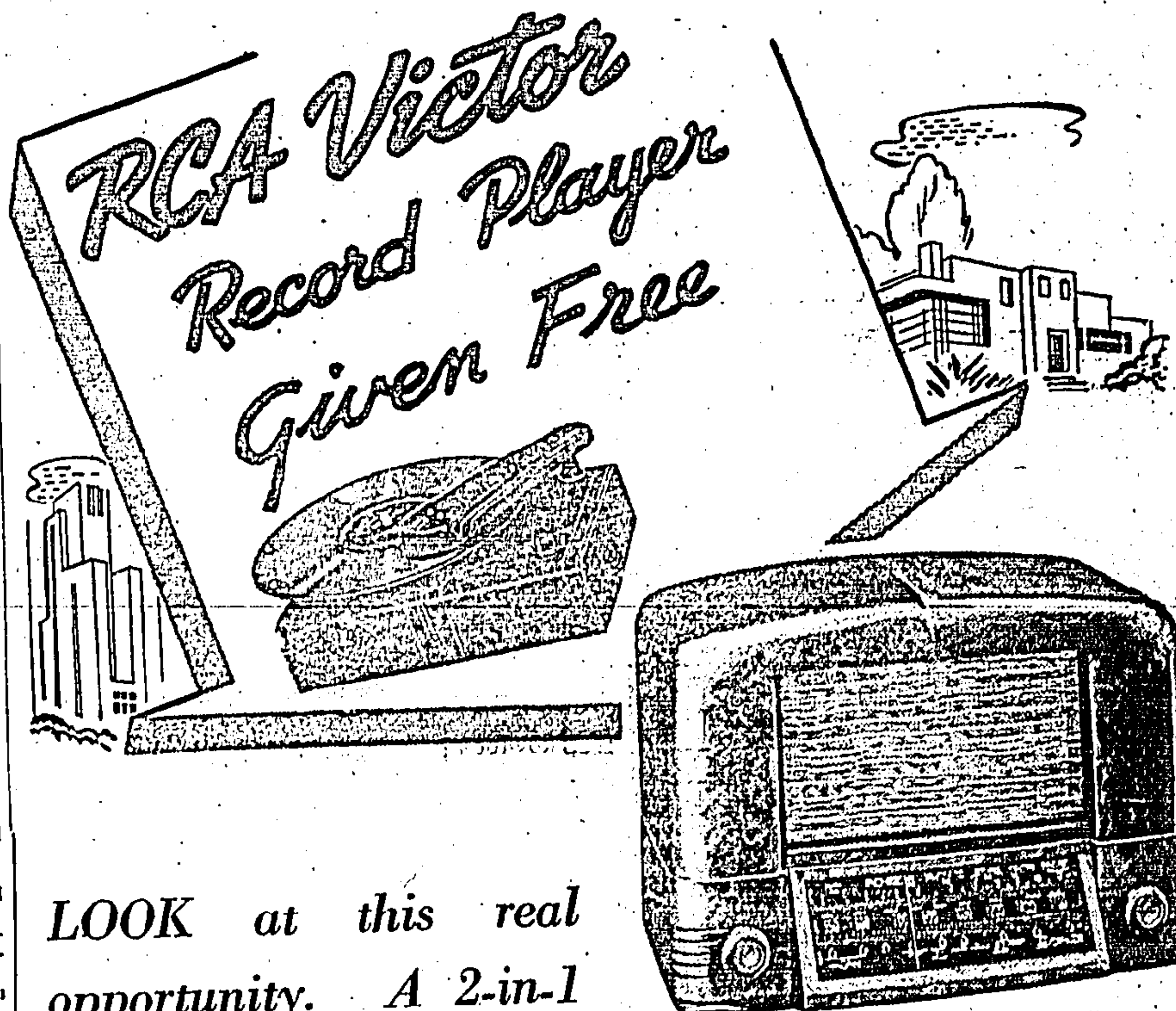


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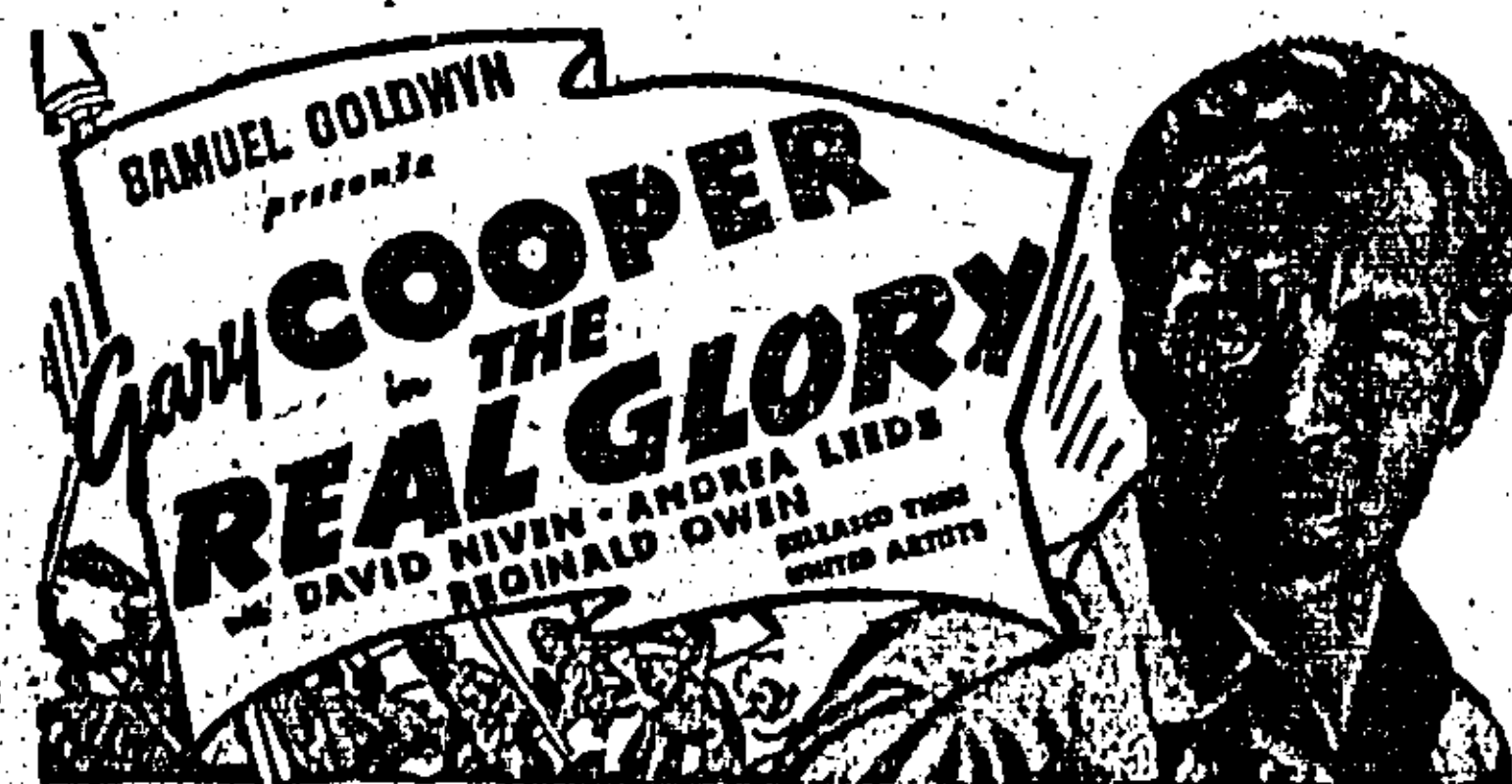
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## LATE NEWS

### TELEPHONE FRANCHISE

New Bill Introduced  
In Council

At this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Telephone Amendment Ordinance, 1940, was read a first time, on the proposition of the Financial Secretary, Hon. Mr. H. R. Butters.

Mr. Butters said that one of the minor recommendations made by the Taxation Committee appointed in 1938 concerned the Telephone Company, saying "We are informed that the present franchise of this Company is unsatisfactory in various ways both to the Company and to Government, and we recommend that the possibility of revision in such a manner as to secure higher royalties for Government, while removing the features which are at present objectionable to the Company, should be investigated in collaboration with the Company."

After referring to the founding of the Telephone Company and the original arrangement with the Government, Mr. Butters continued: "This arrangement incorporated in the present Bill is as follows:—  
"The Company provides Government free of charge with a telephone service for Government purposes up to 500 lines and arranges for the necessary branch exchange in a place sufficiently protected from possible air raid damage. This exchange has been constructed in the basement of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building."

"The modernization of the Government system, which is obsolete, would involve considerable expenditure and on technical grounds it is desirable to amalgamate the Government with the Company's system. The provision of this exchange represents a capital saving to Government of roughly one-quarter of a million dollars. Also a discount of 25 per cent will be allowed Government on the standard rate of subscription in respect of any telephones or connections in excess of these 500 lines. Arrangements will be made later for the Company to take over other Government services when it is possible to obtain the necessary equipment, and until this matter has been further discussed from the technical angle it is difficult to estimate the ultimate saving to Government in respect of recurrent expenditure and personal emoluments, but an appreciable saving is anticipated in respect of both."

"Also an additional royalty of one half of the surplus profits over and above the amount required to pay a 12 per cent dividend on the paid up capital shall be payable to Government. In order to enable double taxation the Company is permitted to deduct any amount payable to Government by way of taxation on profits from the net annual profits of the Company before surplus profits are assessed for this purpose. This is based on the analogy of the treatment of such other utility companies as pay a royalty to Government which will be permitted to deduct the royalty from their profits before such are assessed for purposes of war taxation. It will be observed that the remaining half of the surplus profits remains at the disposal of the directors who need not necessarily employ it for the purpose of increasing dividends."

"This arrangement will apply retrospectively to the year 1939, so that Government may anticipate a considerable addition to the royalty otherwise payable in respect of that year. It is felt that Government, as representative of the whole community, has a prior claim to a share of the surplus profits in preference to the subscribers who already enjoy a remarkably cheap rate of subscription."

"The management of reserves has been varied by allowing depreciation of existing investments to be charged to the capital reserve at once and in respect of capital reserve in lieu of the appropriation of a sum not

### Inside Germany

Hotel Meal  
Costs 30s.  
In B-r-r-rlin

HOTELS without warmth because of acute coal shortage, and meals at 30s. a head—these are among conditions revealed in letters recently received from Germany.

From one, sent by a neutral resident, it appears that the weather is still bitterly cold and hot water is rationed.

"There is no heat in most apartment houses and hotels, and no water," writes this neutral. "My hotel, one of the best in Berlin, has hot or rather warmish water from 6 to 11 a.m. and a little heat if you are not too particular and keep your hat and coat on."

"At a few places where you can eat anywhere near the style to which you are accustomed, a meal costs from £1 to 30s. at the ordinary rate of exchange. There is no whisky, and beer is 1 per cent. alcohol."

An exhibition named "Warmonger England," opened in Hanover, shows exhibits from the last war, "effects of the hunger blockade, espionage methods and atrocity propaganda."

Pictures show "the effects of the Treaty of Versailles" and British war aims and activities of our "secret service" are depicted. Trophies of this war shown include the aircrew of a British plane said to have been shot down last October.

### Recruits In Africa

London, Mar. 27.

It is announced in London that recruiting in South Africa after six months of war has not slackened.

The 10th regiment, named after the Union's first Prime Minister, has brought two battalions up to war strength since September and a third battalion is being formed.

The Imperial Light Horse, one of the most popular Johannesburg regiments, also had a start with a third battalion.

The 6,000 South Africans actually serving with His Majesty's forces are divided fairly equally between the Navy, Army and Air Force—Reuter.

exceeding \$170,482 per annum there will be paid an appropriation not exceeding \$92,577 per annum, plus the total amount of interest and dividends received during the year from the investments made on account of this reserve. This sum is calculated as sufficient to accumulate the required amount in thirty-six years on a sinking fund basis of 3 per cent. Interest on investments made on behalf of the depreciation reserve will continue to be credited to profit and loss account. Depreciation of such investments will be debited against profits but any excess over their written down value on realization will be credited.

"The Bill is being introduced as a Government measure but its terms have been agreed to by the directors of the Company."

### Had His Car Stolen Twice

Motoring Offender's  
Plea To Court

C. M. Mannera, driver of a private car was summoned before Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day for leaving his vehicle unattended on the west side of Gascoigne Road, Kowloon, from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. on March 2.

Explaining the incident, Mr. Mannera said: "I had the car stolen from the opposite side in the car park on two occasions and again there was another attempt about a month previous to this offence. Consequently, I left the car near a filling station, asking the man in charge to keep his eye on it. I wrote to the Chief of Police and complained that the car had been stolen twice and I had myself recovered it, parked once near the aerodrome and another time near the Kowloon Golf Club."

Explanation Accepted

Mr. Macfadyen said there were car parks provided and this type of offence was undesirable even if it occurred on a wide road.

"However, in the circumstances, I will accept your explanation and I think a caution will meet the case. But this is not a precedent, and other people must leave their cars in proper car parks," concluded Mr. Macfadyen.

Learn-er-Driv-er Cautioned

C. Barvosky, learner driver, was summoned for a similar offence but which occurred on the north side of Saloon Street on March 5.

Sub-Inspector Brittain said Barvosky was a learner and probably did not know all the rules.

Telling defendant that he had always to look carefully as to where he could park his car, Mr. Macfadyen discharged him with a caution.

S. Monaghan failed to appear before Mr. Macfadyen on summons of unlawfully driving a public taxi without the permission of the owner at 1 a.m. on March 2 and driving without a valid licence.

Traffic Sergeant Youe applied for a week's adjournment and in granting it Mr. Macfadyen said: "He might be warned that I have the authority to hear the case in his absence if he does not turn up next week."

### Thyssen Flees To Argentine

Nazi Magnate Who  
Broke With Hitler

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Mar. 27 (UP).—Herr Fritz Thyssen, the German industrial magnate, who started off by backing Hitler against communism, then later renounced Hitlerism and refused to return from exile in Switzerland, is now en route to Lisbon, where he will embark on the steamer Conto Grande on April 4, for Buenos Aires.

For years Thyssen was one of the most striking figures in German industry, and when he decided to back Hitler in his quest for the dictatorship of the Reich, many wiseacres believed that Hitler had become a tool of the tycoon.

But later on Thyssen renounced Hitlerism, fled into Switzerland, and had his properties confiscated by the German State because he refused to return to his country to help in the conduct of the war.

He stated at the time that he fled the country because he had opposed the war and he did not return because he valued his life.

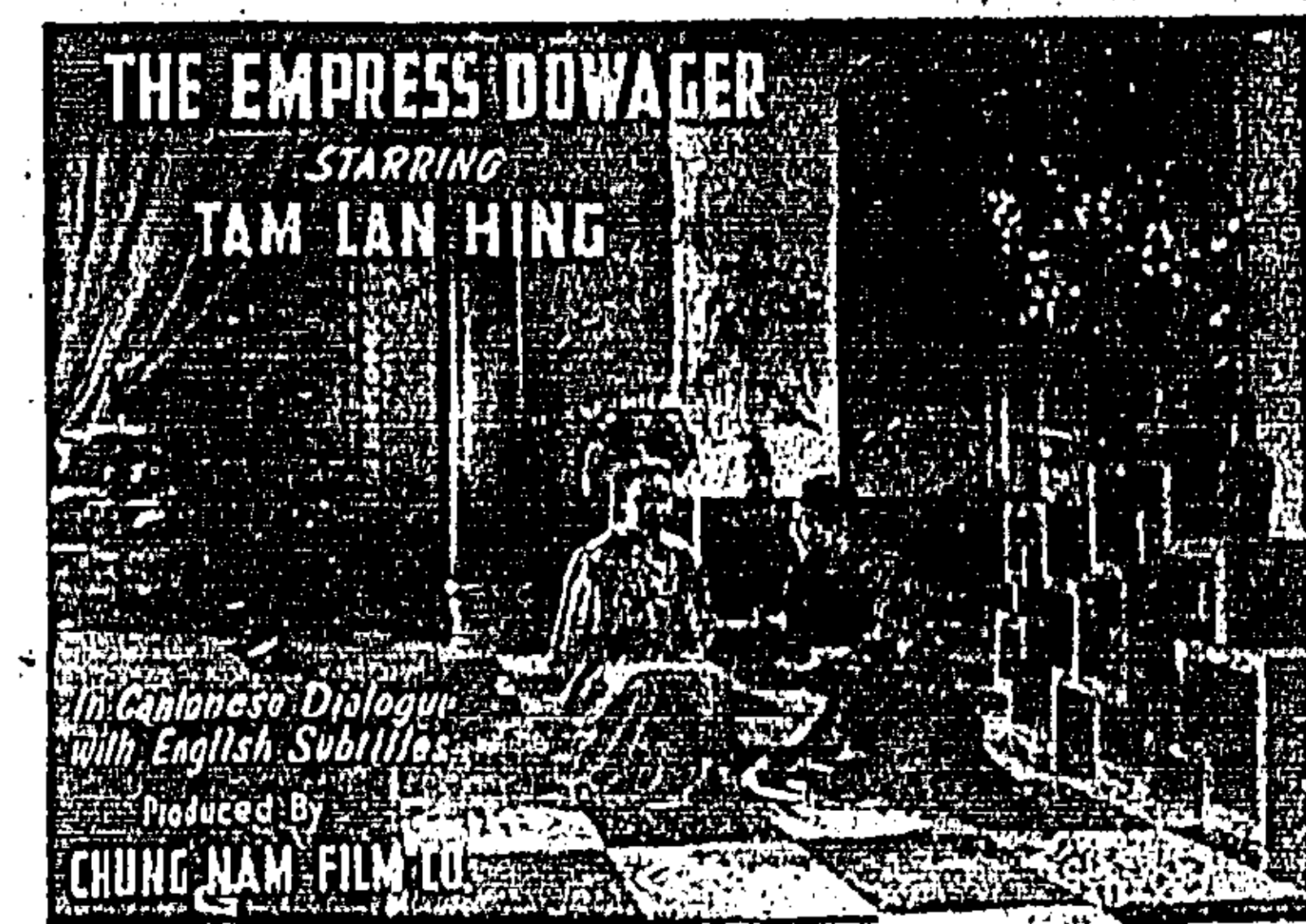
### Altmark Leaves For Kiel

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Nazi hell-ship Altmark of H.M.S. Cosack rescue fame was reported yesterday to have left the Danish island of Langeland which is about 50 miles from Kiel.

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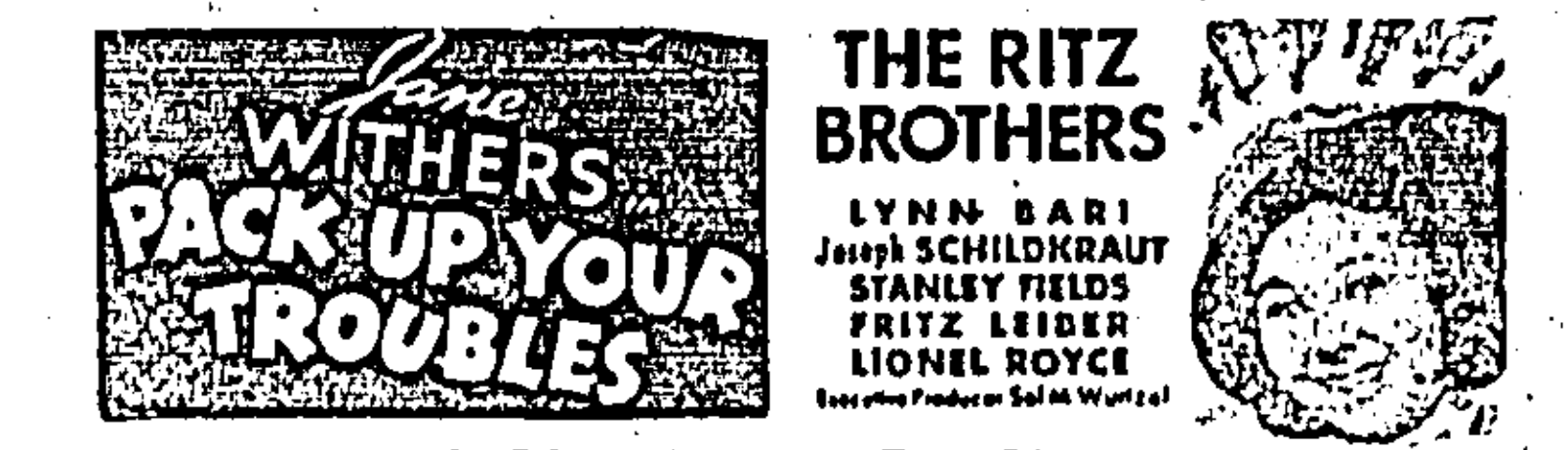


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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
MANILA, Mar. 28 (UP).—Virtual-ly the entire gold mining city of Parac, with a population of 10,000, was the scene of a spectacular fire this morning.

No casualties are reported but the damage is estimated at a million pesos.

The Makman Company's extensive mining property was not touched.

### NAZI WESTERN FRONT CLAIMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BERLIN, Mar. 27 (UP).—The Nazi High Command claims, in its communique to-day, that several Allied troops were taken prisoner during a patrol raid south of Pirmasens.

The communique adds: "The enemy suffered many dead and wounded."

CAIRO, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The combined manoeuvres of British, Egyptian and Indian troops began to-day in the desert south of Cairo.

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